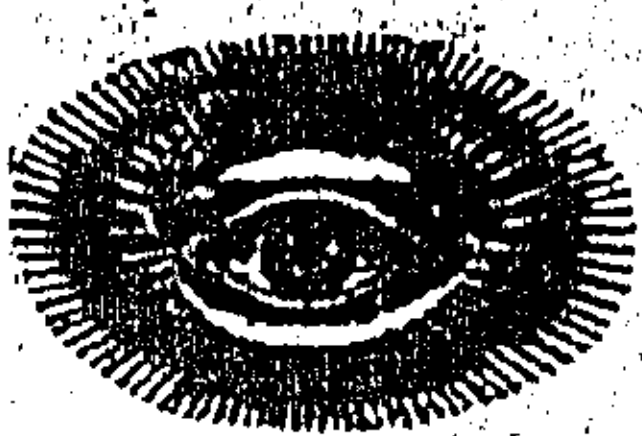


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KUOMINTANG PARTY SPLIT.

SERIOUS CLEAVAGE NOW APPARENT.

INTERESTING REPORT OF PEACE OVERTURES.

ANOTHER ICHANG OUTRAGE

Reports to hand to-day leave little room for doubt that a split has occurred between the moderate and extremist elements in the Kuomintang party, and it is believed that the moderates are gaining ground.

An interesting development is suggested by the report that General Chang Kai-shek and Marshal Chang Tsung-chang have opened negotiations on the basis that the latter shall send his Russian troops back to Shantung and that the former shall get rid of the Russians on his side as well as the Chinese extremists.

Further terrorism is reported from Shanghai, three Chinese being killed during the past two days by "Red" gun-men. Strikes continue but the situation, otherwise, is generally quiet.

During the Sun Yat-sen demonstrations at Ichang on Saturday, a mob rushed and completely wrecked the Salt Administration Office. Further details are now to hand regarding the recent clash between stevedores and a British naval party, during which a Lieutenant from H.M.S. Gnat had an arm broken.

According to a Chinese telegram from Hankow, the General Conference of the Kuomintang Central Executive Commissioners began its session on Thursday last. The first meeting of the Conference, which was attended by 33 Commissioners, was presided over by General Tan Yen-kai, Chairman of the Nationalist Government, and a leader of the Nanchang clique.

Important resolutions submitted at the meeting included the unification of the administration of the Party, the organisation of a Military Council, the re-election of standing Commissioners of the Party, the re-election of heads of the different Kuomintang departments, etc.

General Li Lieh-chun, who recently went to Hankow to attend the Conference, has left for Nanchang to incite General Chang Kai-shek to the Conference.

KUOMINTANG SPLIT. Now Reported Definite.

News from various sources confirms the reported split in the Kuomintang Party. A Canton message says an open split has occurred in the Party ranks, the protagonists being General Chang Kai-shek and Hsu Chien, Minister of Justice, representing the moderates and extremists respectively. It is added that matters are shortly expected to come to a head.

A Changsha message states that the split between General Chang Kai-shek and General Tang Sheng-chia is an accomplished fact, the latter representing the Left Wing of the Kuomintang.

A Hankow message of Friday says a conference of Party leaders was held on the previous day, and it is understood that Hsu Chien and Liu Wen-tau, as well as other prominent extremists, have resigned and are leaving Hankow. Apparently the moderates are gaining ground.

LATEST WAR DEVELOPMENT.

Peace Negotiations Reported.

A Nanking message of Saturday states that Shantung troops of superior quality are pouring into Nanking daily, the majority proceeding to the front, chiefly towards the Anhui border. They include 5,000 Russians under General Nechaev.

General Chang Kai-shek is said to have opened negotiations with Marshal Chang Tsung-chang, the reported basis being that the latter should withdraw his Russian troops to Shantung, whilst the former should get rid of the Russians on his side as well as the leading Chinese extremists.

TERRORISM IN SHANGHAI.

Three Murders By Gun-men.

Shanghai, Mar. 13. The second anniversary of the death of Sun Yat-sen passed off comparatively quietly, probably due to the rain, in spite of the

rumours of a one-day strike from many quarters.

Terrorism is on the increase, the leaders of the Red gun-men showing greater activity. In the last two days three Chinese holding prominent positions in the International Settlement have been murdered, including a private gentleman, the foreman of two cotton mills and the accountant of the Shanghai Tramway Company.

The situation generally is quiet, but the strike of the employees of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway continues, and the cotton mill workers, including a British concern, who "downed tools" on March 10th and 11th, are still out.—Naval Wireless.

OUTRAGE AT ICHANG.

Salt Office Completely Wrecked.

Ichang, Mar. 13. The Sun Yat-sen demonstration yesterday resulted in an outrage on the Salt Administration Office, which the police and military authorities took no steps to prevent.

The mob rushed the Salt Office, and completely wrecked it. The principal cause of the trouble was the agitation of pickets who created the disturbance because posters had been removed from the gate.

—Naval Wireless.

Hankow Quiet.

Hankow, Mar. 13. There appears to be no anti-foreign movement on the part of the Extremist section of the Kuomintang although posters have again appeared requesting Marshal Chang Kai-shek's active support.—Naval Wireless.

Three Days' Holiday Declared.

Wanhsien, Mar. 13. Three days holiday to celebrate the anniversary of the death of Sun Yat-sen has been decreed, but up to the present there appears to be little enthusiasm.—Naval Wireless.

RECENT ICHANG INCIDENT.

British Lieutenant Injured.

Further news regarding the recent clash between stevedores and a British naval party at Ichang states that the incident occurred in connection with the transfer of baggage and missionaries to the s.s. Tung Wo. Trouble rose between the stevedores and the sailors, in which a lieutenant from H.M.S. Gnat had an arm broken and three stevedores were injured on the heels with batons.

Later, the Labour Union put forward demands through the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, including the immediate withdrawal of H.M.S. Gnat, the recall of the officer responsible, an apology by Mr. Titchman (Chinese Secretary of the British Legation) and the payment of a pro-posterous indemnity. Failing a

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THE KUOMINTANG.

CHANG KAI-SHEK'S DECLARATION.

OBEDIENCE TO PARTY.

The following Hankow message of Monday last, appearing in the Canton Gazette, gives a fuller account of General Chang Kai-shek's recent declaration:

The need of subordination of individuals to the programme of the Kuomintang is stressed in a Declaration by General Chang Kai-shek made public here to-day. The Commander-in-Chief of the Nationalist forces urges all Party members to support the Central Executive Committee so that there may be centralisation in the direction of Party affairs and concerted effort to wipe out feudal influences and so that the dawning of a real democracy may be realized.

Obedience To Party.

"Since I was appointed by the Party to be Commander-in-Chief of the Nationalist Armies, I have never ignored the resolutions of the Central Party Headquarters," says General Chang. "Whenever I have had occasion to talk with our soldier comrades I bring home to them the importance of obeying the orders of Party Headquarters and the supreme importance of following the Three People's Principles. The history of the Revolution is not made up of stories of personal glories but records achievements in the interest of the people. The triumph of the whole Party is the prize to be fought for, not the ascendancy of one particular person," General Chang asserts.

General Chang asks that efforts be made to place the armies under the leadership and direction of the Party and to make them centralized and unified in order to prevent the troops from becoming subject to individuals rather than to the Party.

Consolidate Party.

In the course of his statement, the army chief, recalls the victorious advance of the Nationalist Movement in the past year and mentions the inevitable difficulties and enormous problems resulting from the large-scale operations and extension of Nationalist control over an immense area. His own time during the past year has been taken up almost entirely with the military matters, General Chang states; and as a result he has lost contact with the Party comrades. General Chang sees in the "misconception on the part of the people of the Yangtze Valley that the Kuomintang represents a group of a few persons instead of the Party as such," is a possible danger to the strength of the Party and therefore he calls on all the comrades to "consolidate Party authority and consider each and every power as belonging to the Party."

C.E.C. Supreme.

The supreme authority of the Central Executive Committee in the intervals between plenary sessions is stressed and the difficulties of the past year, during which some members have fallen out and the military situation has been tense, is reviewed. The urgency of the times necessitated the creation of the Chairmanship of the Central Executive Committee but such an arrangement should be treated merely as a makeshift for the emergency, states General Chang. The C.E.C. must be made the supreme, democratic organ of the Party.

Deplores Wang Ching-wei's Absence.

Comrade Wang Ching-wei's absence from his post is deplored by General Chang and his own friendship for Wang is re-affirmed. He again urges Wang Ching-wei to resume office and put an end to fabricated rumours which the reactionaries have spread, urging unity and co-operation among all Party leaders and share the responsibilities during the present difficult reorganization.

Plenary Session.

General Chang states that he looks to the "opening of the plenary session of the C.E.C. to solve the fundamental questions in order to afford guidance for individual and collective conduct." He concludes: "For more than twenty years I followed our late Director (Dr. Sun) in the Revolution."

THE INCIDENT ON THE "FATSHAN."

CREW RESUMES WORK THIS MORNING.

TO SAIL TO-MORROW.

From latest reports to hand it would appear that the incident aboard the river steamer Fatshan on Saturday, when the police removed two offensive anti-British posters, has been at any rate temporarily adjusted.

After the posters were seized, the crew held a meeting and decided not to take the steamer to Canton on Saturday, the result being that the vessel was moved out into the stream. On Saturday night, two delegates from the crew left for Canton, no doubt to report the incident to the Seamen's Union there.

Subsequently, the chairman of the local Seamen's Union had a conference with Messrs. Butterfield and Swire on the matter and later he went aboard the Fatshan and instructed the crew to resume work.

The steamer was brought back to the wharf this morning, with the crew, minus the two delegates, on board, and the Fatshan is to leave for Canton to-morrow morning. We understand that the seized posters have not been returned, but that the other placards, with which the police did not interfere, are still displayed.

The other Canton river steamers, have not been affected by the incident.

STOP PRESS.

SHANGHAI SITUATION MORE INTENSE.

Shanghai, March 14. The labour situation in Shanghai continues to be very disturbed. "Red" activities growing more intense.

Assassins yesterday shot dead the foreman of a Japanese cotton mill and escaped. There is an increasing number of posters in mills, urging workers "to rise immediately and seize the administrative power" and lauding the assassination of loyal workers. There are no military developments, as the rain continues and the country is sodden.—Reuter.

COMPANY DIVIDEND.

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We are officially informed that the General Managers and Consulting Committee of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., will recommend at the forthcoming meeting of shareholders, to be held on 28th inst., the payment out of the profits for the year 1926, of a dividend of 340 per share, absorbing \$320,000; and to pass £20,474-10-5, at exchange 1/11 1/2d. (\$209,101.49), to credit of Reinsurance Fund; carrying forward \$670,786.68 in respect of the year 1926.

FAR EASTERN FLIGHT.

SIX FLYING BOATS FOR SINGAPORE.

London, Mar. 13. Six flying boats, each fitted with 450 horse power engines, will participate in the Far Eastern flight.

They will follow a sea route, and ultimately remain at Singapore as the nucleus of an air fleet, working in conjunction with the Australian Air Force.—Reuter.

tionary Movement. I know only to follow the Three People's Theory. Nothing takes precedence in my mind over the Party. I am engaged in no pursuit save the Revolution. I have no interest of my own. What I hope is that all comrades will receive with open hearts the programme of the Party, unite themselves to form a coherent whole so that the Party foundation will be firmly established. In this way, the Revolutionary Movement can attain success instead of being thwarted half-way. I am ready to make all sacrifices."

MARINE ENQUIRY.

CHARGE BY MASTER FAILS.

IRREGULAR LOG ENTRY.

A Court of Enquiry assembled at the Harbour Office this morning to enquire into a charge of misconduct against Mr. G. A. Carter, Chief Officer of s.s. Kwong Fook Cheong.

The constitution of the Court was as follows:—Lieut.-Commander G. F. Hole, Harbour Master (President), Lieut.-Commander C. B. Elbow, of H.M.S. Titania; Captain R. Ashby, master of s.s. Huichow; Captain W. Biehard, master of s.s. Fausang; and Captain J. Davie, master of s.s. Takthylus. Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton appeared on behalf of Mr. Carter.

The Complaint.

The charge was based on an extract from the official log of the Kwong Fook Cheong dated February 24th, which stated that on the previous evening at 6.15 p.m. the Chief Officer, Mr. Carter, had come on board in a drunken state and when the ship was leaving at 6.45, he had rushed to the bridge, reversed the telegraph shouting "Stop the ship" and had assaulted the master, Captain Wilson, by striking him on the mouth. Mr. Carter was suspended from duty until the Kwong Fook Cheong arrived in Hongkong on February 25.

Captain Wilson was the first witness, who stated that on the day in question, Mr. Carter came on board the ship alongside the Pau Tak Wharf at 6.15 p.m. The ship cast off at 6.30 p.m. and backed astern. When the ship had been turned and engines put at the full speed ahead (6.45 p.m.), Mr. Carter rushed on to the bridge shouting "Stop the ship." He then went to the telegraph, and struck witness in the mouth when he endeavoured to impede Mr. Carter, then reversed the telegraph, but before the order could be acted on, they were again put ahead. Witness was not certain whether he or the pilot had done this, as it was an immediate action during the confusion. Mr. Carter then left the bridge.

Witness took the ship clear of the Southern Fairway and then interviewed Mr. Carter, subsequently ordering him to his room.

Not Capable.

When the ship was anchored at Wongmoon, Mr. Carter approached witness and stated that he was capable of taking a watch. Witness told him he would take no more watches in the Kwong Fook Cheong.

The President enquired of witness what he meant by Mr. Carter being capable of taking a watch, calling attention to the fact that nothing had been given in evidence to show that Mr. Carter was other than capable of doing his duty. Witness suggested that he "thought" the Court knew all about it, and was reminded that the Court was sitting to sift the case from bed rock and nothing that had been written or spoken previously outside had any bearing on the case and nothing else was understood by the Court except that which was offered in evidence.

Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton, cross-examining, asked witness what time he had come on board and Captain Wilson stated that he had only gone ashore to clear the ship and had taken his dinner exactly at 6 p.m. He did not see Mr. Carter come on board, and at the time of the ship's departure, he did not know whether Mr. Carter was fit or not.

When the ship left, witness was some two feet behind and a little to starboard of the telegraph. The pilot took the ship out.

Captain's Denial.

Leaving Hongkong was usually the watch of the first officer, when the ship had cleared the fairway. Mr. Hall Brutton suggested that this rule had been only introduced for the purposes of the case. "This Captain Wilson denied and further stated that until the vessel was clear of shipping the Chief Officer could do as he wished."

Didn't Show Log Entry.

Witness said that he had not seen Mr. Carter from 2 p.m., when he went ashore to do some shopping, until he came to the bridge after the ship got under way. At this time it was almost dark.

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THE SWATOW UNION.

SETTLED BY ARBITRATION COMMITTEE.

A COMBINE ARRANGED.

Our Swatow correspondent writes to state that the trouble between the Wharf Workers' Union and the Tong Tek Union has now been settled by the Arbitration Committee of the Swatow General Labour Union and the following terms have been agreed upon:

That both Unions should combine under the name of the Swatow Wharf Labourers Union. The name of Tong Tak shall be abolished locally, but the new Union shall amalgamate with the Tong Tak Union of Hongkong, Canton and Macao.

In order to arrange for a fair division of labour, a Supervising Committee shall be formed consisting of two members from each of the Unions and one member from the Transport Workers' Union. All the members of the new Union must register at the General Labour Union and the Supervising Committee will arrange work for them. All members will contribute 3 per cent. of their total wages to meet the salaries of the Supervising Committee.

A sum of \$500 is to be paid to the dependents of those killed in the recent fighting. This will be paid as follows:—\$200 within four days and the remainder by monthly instalments of \$200. The Tong Tek Union is to pay the sum of \$300, to the wounded in the recent fighting and the General Labour Union will be responsible for any additional expenses.

A friendly meeting of both Unions will be held and a Committee of seven will be elected to manage the affairs of the new Union. This Committee will consist of three from each of the Unions and one from the General Labour Union.

ROBBERS CHASED AND CAUGHT.

EXCITEMENT AT WONGNEICHONG.

The Police Station at Wanchai received a report, in the early hours of this morning, that a robbery had occurred at the village of Wongneichong.

On their arrival soon afterwards, the police were informed that four men had entered a matched occupied by a widow and her two children, and had stolen property to the value of over \$100.

By representing themselves as friends coming with news from her relatives, the robbers had induced the woman to open the door, and they then seized hold of her by the neck, and stole her jewellery. The robbers were forced to make a hurried flight, a cry of "save life" having been raised by the daughter of the woman.

Running up the hillside, two of the men were chased and caught by villagers. They were later handed over to the police.

MAD DOG.

CHINESE GIRL VICTIM.

How a black chow dog went mad, bit a little girl, killed another dog and was finally killed by a coolie is told in a police report from the Kowloon City Station.

The affair took place in the village of Shapoo, near Kowloon City. The dog suddenly became ferocious and bit a 10-year old Chinese girl, who has since been sent to the Kowloon hospital for treatment. The dog then attacked another chow dog, fighting it to death, and then ran through the street of the village snapping at everybody in its way. Finally, a coolie, arming himself with a bamboo pole, went after the dog and succeeded in killing it.

The bodies of both dead dogs have been sent to the Bacteriological Institute for examination.

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ILLEGAL SOCIETY.

WHY COURT CLAIM FAILED.

AN "UNLAWFUL RESTRAINT."

In the Summary Court this morning, Mr. J. R. Wood, acting Chief Justice, held that the Kwong Yee Tong, a Hongkong Masons' Guild was an illegal society by reason of the fact that an illegal rule causing restraint of trade was inseparable from the principal object of the Society, and that therefore a claim against the Society could not succeed.

The case was one in which six Chinese, on behalf of themselves and all persons having an interest in the Mason Workers' Guild, sued for \$266 being money received on their behalf. In the alternative, they claimed the money as due to them in accordance with the rules, and also their costs.

Mr. F. E. Loseby appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. D. McCallum defended.

At a previous hearing, Mr. McCallum endeavoured to show that the Guild was illegal because certain rules were illegal and that therefore His Lordship had no jurisdiction. It was also stated, when evidence was given, that the funds of the Guild were taken to Canton during the strike of 1925 for strike purposes.

Delivering judgment to-day His Lordship said that after considering the evidence, both oral and formal, he had assessed the balance against the official of the Guild sued in a final account between himself and the Guild, under the rules, to be \$121.54 only.

Restraint of Trade.

On behalf of the defendant, it had been submitted that the Kwong Yee Tong was an illegal society on the ground that its principal object involved unreasonable restraint of trade and, for that reason, the plaintiffs were not entitled to recover at all. The illegality alleged was a contravention of a rule of English Common Law. The doctrine of the Common Law was "that it is unlawful to fetter by agreement the freedom of action of anyone engaged in trade, as a trader or an employer or a workman, except so far as such fetter is reasonably necessary for the protection of the person seeking to impose such fetter upon others."

In order to find out whether the Kwong Yee Tong was an illegal association it was necessary, said his Lordship, to examine more closely into the nature of that illegality to see whether it was of such kind as to taint the whole constitution of the society and make it an illegal society.

The Guild "but did not comprise all the working brick-layers in the Colony. At least one other Guild of workmen was known to exist."

According to the evidence of the Chairman of the Guild, its purposes were to organise certain periodical festivities; to provide funeral benefits for its members, and to regulate the trade of brick-laying. It was a voluntary society, and its affairs had been conducted unmethodically. In order to ascertain its character it was necessary to analyse the rules.

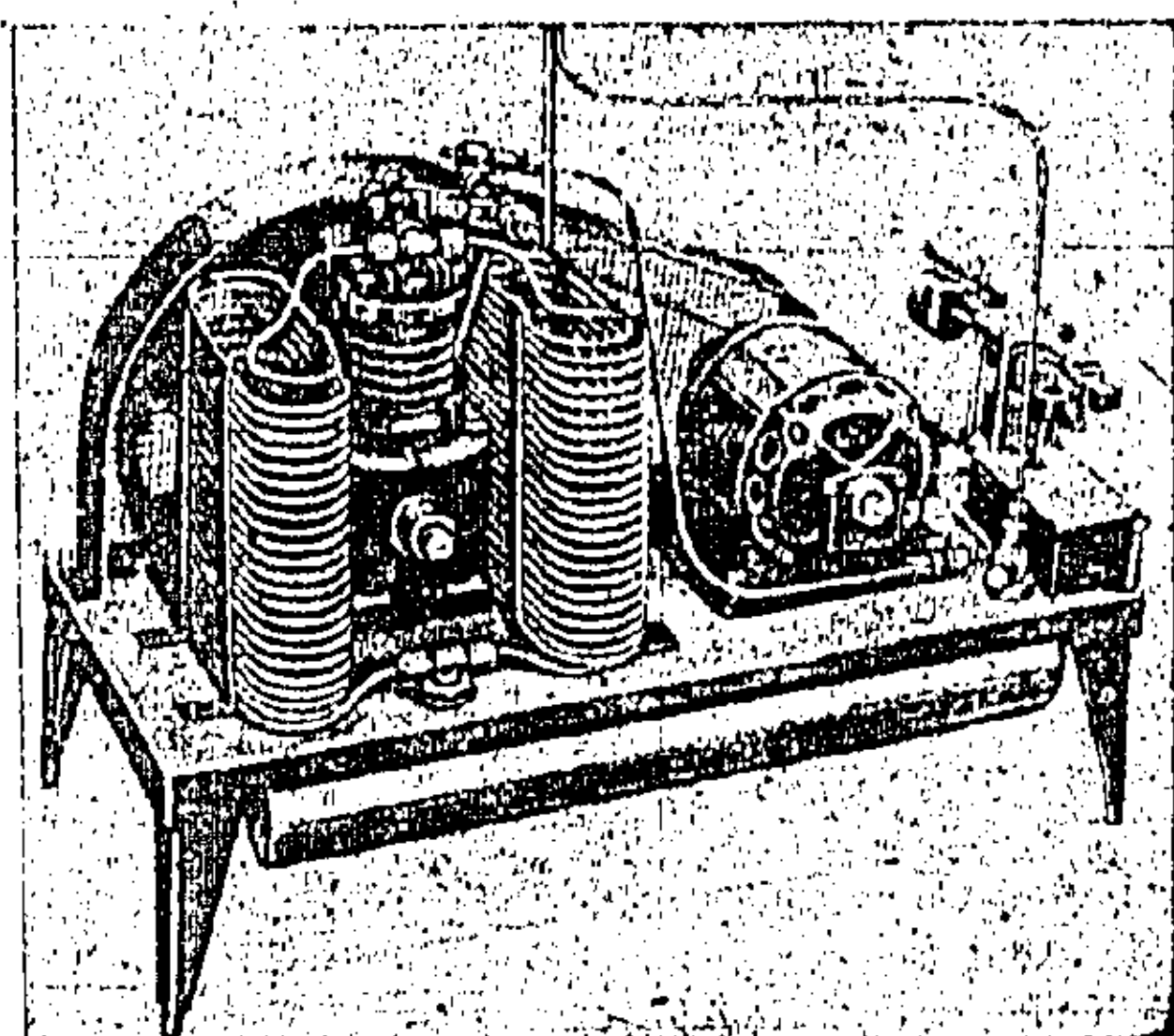
Eleven Rules.

There were eleven rules altogether. The first dealt with the terms of admission to membership; the second directed the acquiescence of members in all duly authorised acts of the Guild; the third exhorted its members to mutual support; the fourth provided for a subscription by each member to qualify for a funeral benefit; the fifth classified members into two grades—foremen and workmen—in which foremen only might undertake trade contracts; the sixth prohibited any member from continuing an uncompleted contract made by another member in respect of which a dispute might have arisen and be still unsettled; the seventh prescribed deductions from the earnings of members for the funds of the Guild; the eighth advised members to employ fellow

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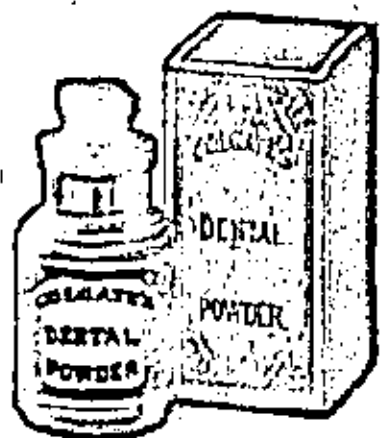
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LATE DR. SUN.

SATURDAY'S OBSERVANCES.

Shanghai, March 12.
On the occasion of the second anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen many members of the Right Wing of the Kuomintang Party went on a pilgrimage to his old residence in the French Concession to pay their respects to the memory of their late leader.
The party afterwards visited the headquarters of the Left Wing in another part of the Concession, where a "clash" ensued. Shots were exchanged, one man being seriously wounded and sent to hospital. Several received wounds of a minor character. A number of arrests were made.—*Reuter.*

Observances in London.

London, March 12.
British, Japanese, Chinese and other admirers of Sun Yat-sen assembled at the Chinese Legation, London, to-day and paid tribute to his memory.

The Chinese Charge d'Affaires delivered the preliminary address, standing before a sort of altar decorated with flowers, above which hung a portrait of Sun Yat-sen surrounded by a laurel wreath.

Sun's declaration of policy made on his death-bed was then read, and subsequently Mr. George Lansbury made a speech attacking capitalism.

After the audience had saluted the portrait, a band played the Chinese National Anthem, and the "Internationale."—*Reuter.*

Paris Observance.

Paris, March 12.
The anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen was celebrated by a Communist meeting at which, according to *L'Humanite*, the speakers included Kuomintangites who addressed the gathering in English speeches and hailed the awakening of the slaves of Imperialism.—*Reuter.*

Singapore Riot.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, March 13.
In connection with the celebration of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's birthday the police were compelled to fire on a Chinese crowd in Singapore yesterday afternoon, resulting in six being killed and eleven injured.

After the meeting in the well-known fair ground called Happy Valley, where some disturbance occurred many Hailams formed a procession, and contrary to regulation marched to the town. A complete traffic block occurred at the Kreta Ayer station. An Inspector attempting to regulate this was attacked and knocked down. Malay police then fired on the crowd and dispersed it. The town has since been completely quiet.—*O. O. C.*

BOMB IN RIGA.

NEWSPAPER OFFICE ALMOST DESTROYED.

Riga, March 12.
A terrific explosion, believed to be the result of a bomb, almost completely destroyed the three-story printing and publishing offices of the Opposition newspaper, *Lietuva Zinios*. There were no casualties as the workmen were absent.—*Reuter.*

MINE DISASTERS.

LORD MAYOR'S FUND.

London, March 12.
The Lord Mayor has closed the fund for victims of the Cwm and Blithorpe colliery disasters, stating that \$24,000 has been subscribed, this being sufficient to make adequate allowances. The last two bodies out of fifty-two killed at Cwm were located yesterday.—*Reuter.*

THE DRUG TRAFFIC.

ACTIVITIES OF A HONGKONG SYNDICATE.

London, March 13.
The real position of the drug traffic is now being discovered according to a report of the League of Nations Opium Committee adopted by the Council at Geneva on the 11th inst. stating that some governments are steadily improving their system of control while the import and export certificate system is being more generally applied.

In specific cases this is being followed up, not only by the punishment of offenders but in the remedy of defects in the system. Nevertheless the present position is disappointing and very unsatisfactory.

The report declares that in India the illicit traffic in cocaine may amount to forty times the legitimate imports.

Large seizures of opium and drugs have been made in the Far East, the Middle East and the United States. The outflow of opium from China very seriously embarrasses the adjoining countries.

The committee cites the case of a syndicate in Hongkong engaged in smuggling Chinese opium to the extent of \$40,000 monthly. The chief of Cairo police reported that the Egyptians are rapidly becoming a race of drug addicts. Sixty arrests are made weekly in Cairo.—*Reuter.*

Peculiar Decisions.

Geneva, Mar. 12.
In the course of the discussion, Mr. McCormack said that Persia had agreed that after three years they would reduce the production of opium by ten per cent. annually for three years, and thereafter decide their policy in accordance with the general situation.

The Persian Government in order to facilitate reduction would exempt from taxation lands where the poppy had been cultivated and would grant special loans to assist the proprietors in abandoning cultivation.

The Council decided to place the question of the cultivation of the poppy in Persia on the agenda of the next Assembly of the League and to convene a conference at Geneva in November to draw up an International Convention abolishing import and export prohibitions and restrictions.—*Reuter.*

China's Supply.

Rugby, Mar. 12.
The Council of the League of Nations yesterday considered the report of the Advisory Committee on the question of opium and other noxious drugs.

M. Zaleski said the illicit traffic had not appreciably abated and he was sure the Council would appreciate the proposal made by the British representative on the Advisory Committee that it was important to discover the sources of supply open to illicit traffickers.

Apparently enormous quantities of noxious drugs are being exported to China by post and the Council considered it advisable that European Governments should examine this fact. The only possible remedy is for countries which have undertaken to exercise control to do so effectively.

The Council empowered the Chairman of the Advisory Committee to summon a special meeting of that body to deal with this aspect of the problem.

The Opium Convention of February, 1925, cannot come into force until seven States represented on the Council have ratified it. Great Britain was the first member of the Council to ratify the Convention and now Germany has done so.

M. Brind assured the Council that France will ratify within the next few months. Netherlands has also practically ratified it and Signor Scialoja told the Council that Italy will likewise be ready to do so shortly.—*British Wireless.*

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS.

SIR HUBERT BRAND TO COMMAND.

London, March 12.
Sir Hubert Brand is succeeding on March 15 Sir Henry Oliver as Commander-in-Chief of the Atlantic Fleet.—*Reuter.*
Vice-Admiral Hon. Sir Hubert George Brand, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., C.B., C.V.O., M.V.O., has been Second Sea Lord since 1925. He is the 2nd son of Viscount Hampden, and was born on May 20, 1870. He entered the Navy in 1889; Lieutenant, 1892; Commander, 1902; Captain, 1907; Naval Attaché at Tokyo, 1912-14; Naval Assistant to 2nd Sea Lord Admiralty, 1915-16; Chief of Staff to Sir David Beatty, commanding Battle Cruiser Fleet, 1916; Captain of the Fleet and Commodore 1st Class, 1916-19; Rear-Admiral 1919; Commanded His Majesty's Yachts, 1919-1922; Comdg. First Light Cruiser Squadron, 1922-24; Extra Equerry to the King, 1922; Vice-Admiral, 1924; Naval Secretary to First Sea Lord of the Admiralty, 1925.

Sir H. F. Oliver.

Admiral Sir Henry Francis Oliver, R.N., K.C.B., K.C.M.G., C.B., M.V.O., has been Commander in Chief, Atlantic Fleet, since 1924. He was born on January 22, 1865. He entered the Navy in 1878. Lieutenant, 1888; Commander, 1899; Captain, 1903; Rear-Admiral, 1913, late Deputy Chief of Naval Staff, Chief Vice-Admiral, commanding the Home Fleet, 1919-20; Second Sea Lord, 1920-24. He is a Commander Legion of Honour and other Orders include the Sacred Treasure of Japan, St. Anne of Russia, and the Swords of Sweden.

RUSSO-TURK PACT.

A TRADE AGREEMENT.

Constantinople, Mar. 12.

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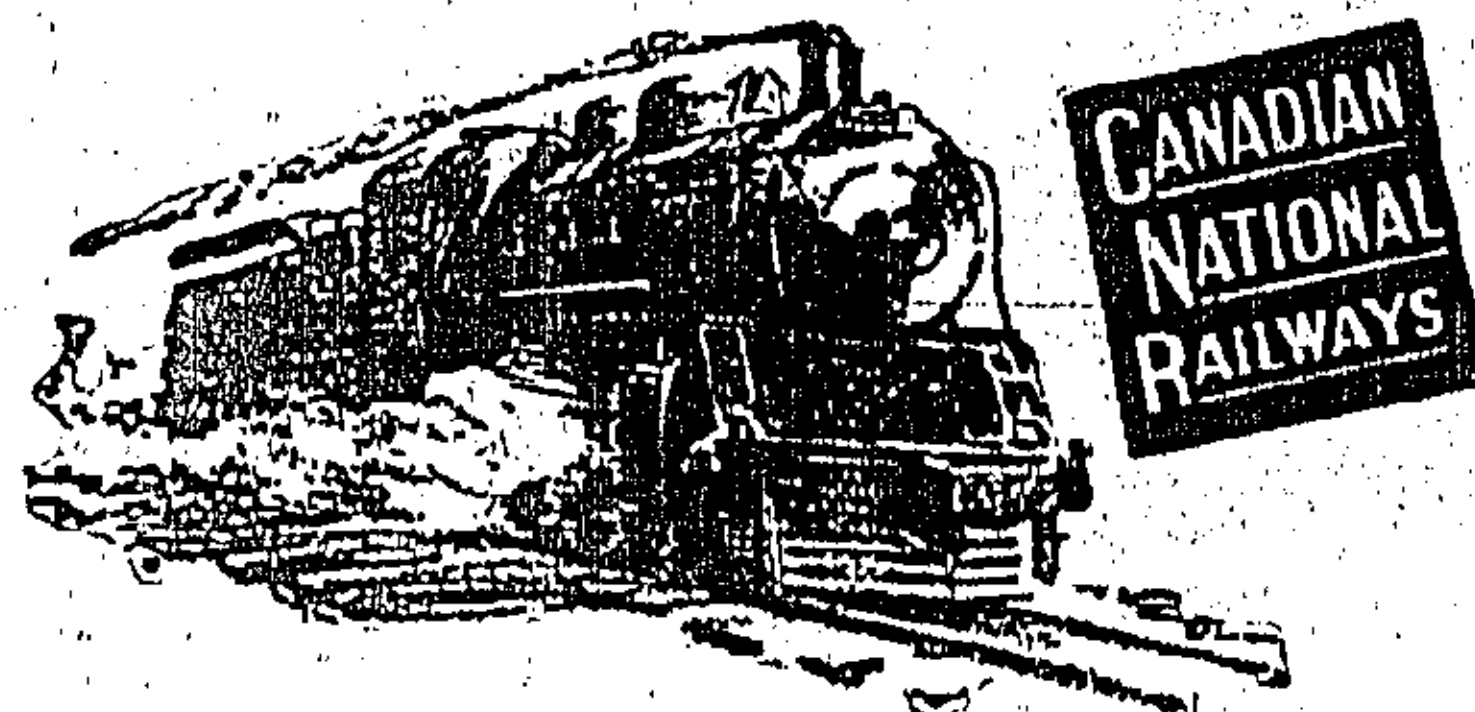
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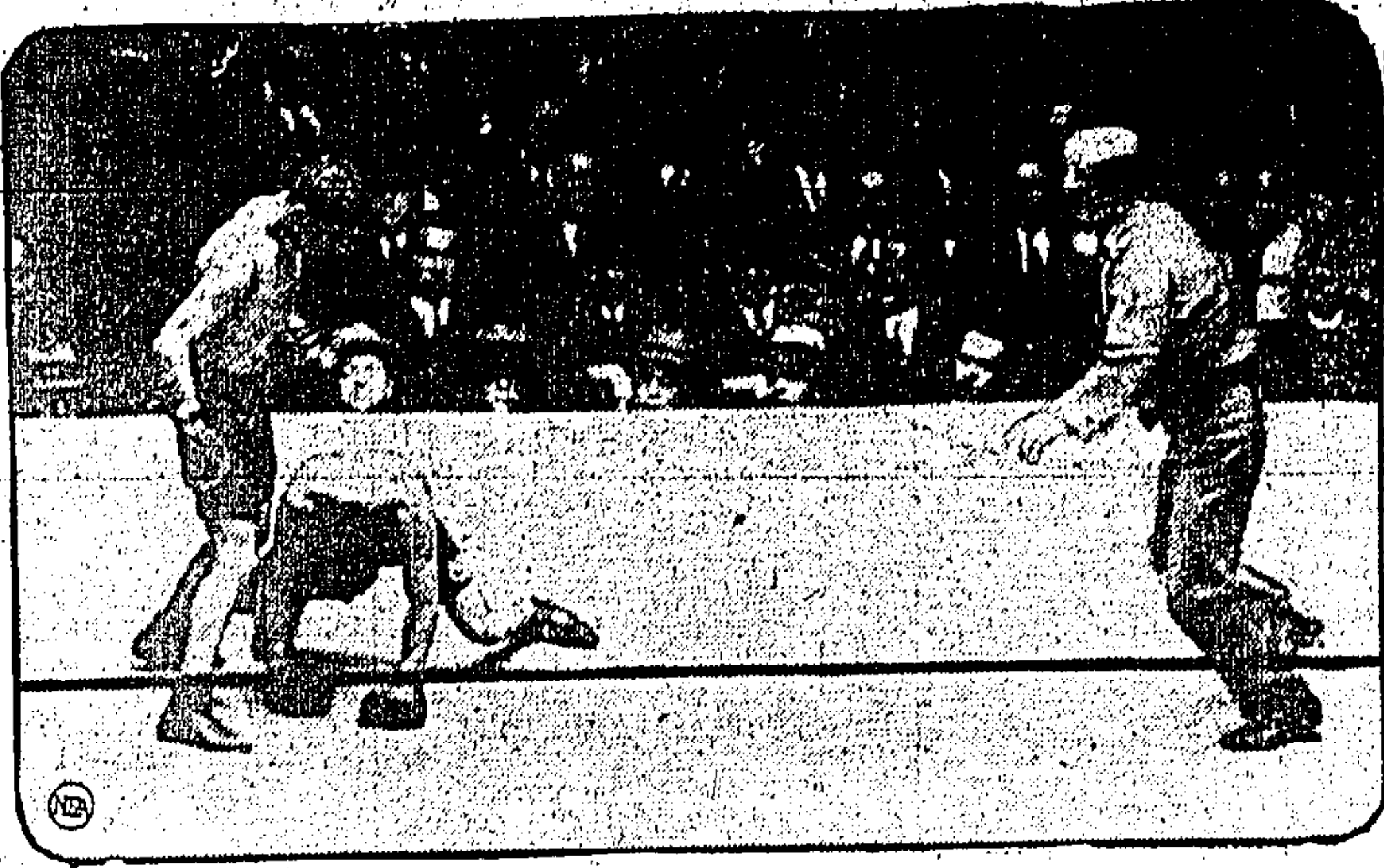


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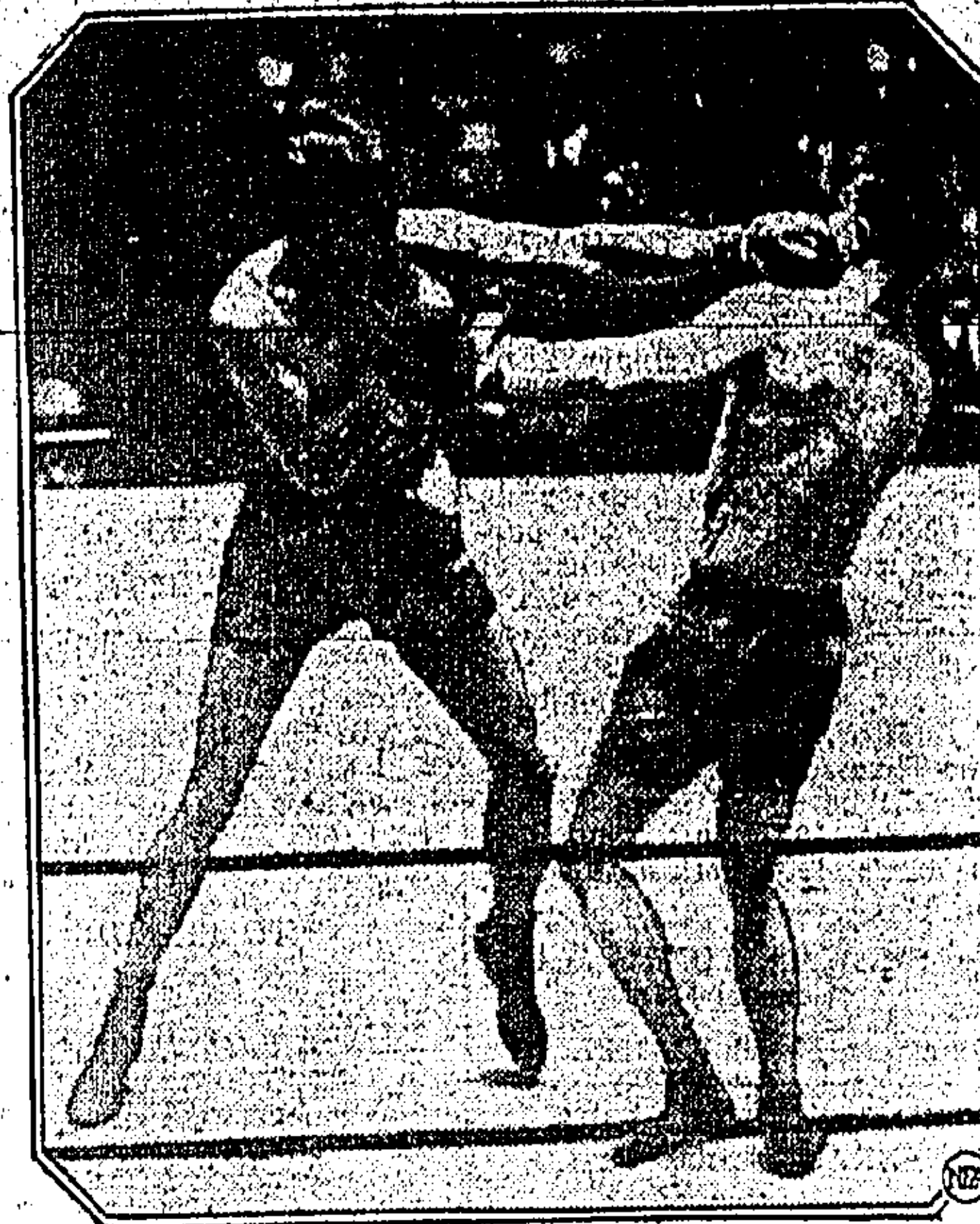
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ROSENBERG WINS.—In a recent fight at New York, Rosenberg Graham, beat Graham. Bushy Graham is here seen rising groggily from the canvas in the 12th.



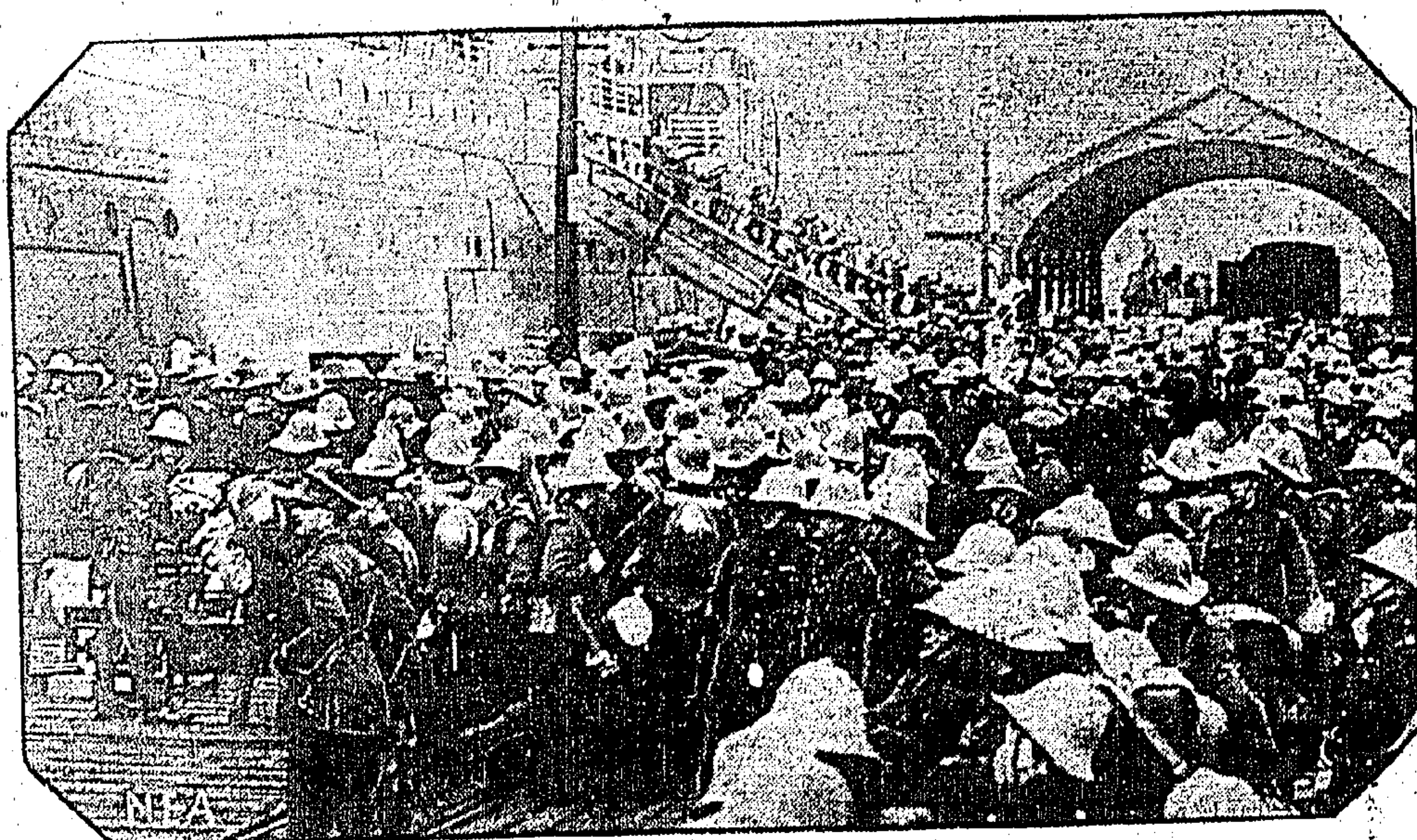
YOUNG STRIBLING.—Billy Stribling, pride of Georgia, won a close decision in his ten-round bout at New York with Eddie Huffman, of California. In this picture, Huffman is taking a stiff left jab to the jaw.



SUFFOLKS AT SHANGHAI.—Men of the Second Battalion of the Suffolk Regiment who marched to their billets at the Race Course at Shanghai, recently.



FROZEN ST. LAWRENCE RIVER.—When the famous Queen Victoria bridge over the St. Lawrence river at Montreal, Quebec province, was closed for repairs, traffic was not inconvenienced much. Motorists went across the ice—the river being frozen over solidly. This photo shows the route, marked by rows of small trees transplanted from nearby hills.



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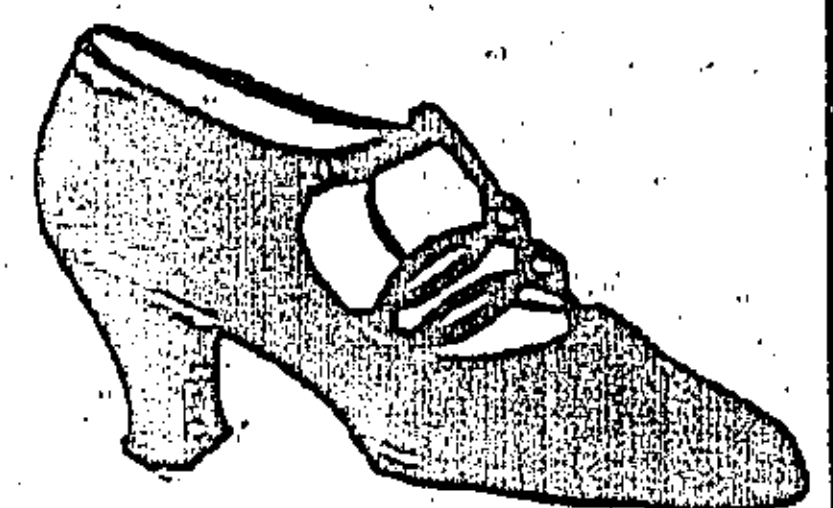
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John D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers, Hongkong, 14th March, 1927.

THE SIMPLEX PLASTER COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Third Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Registered Office, 2nd floor, Powell's Building, Des Voeux Road C, Hongkong, on 31st March, 1927, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

The Transfer books of the Company will be closed from 23rd March to 31st March, 1927, both days inclusive.

THE HONGKONG EXCAVATION, PILE DRIVING AND CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD. General Managers, Hongkong, 14th March, 1927.

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WILKINSON & GRIST, Solicitors for Nicholson File Co. Hongkong, March 14th, 1927.

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SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE, HONGKONG.

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, 18th March, 1927, at 5.30 p.m.

For the following purposes:—

(a) To receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for the past year.

(b) To elect the Officers and Committee for the ensuing year.

(c) To consider the manner in which St. George's Day shall be celebrated.

(d) To transact any other business of which due notice has been given.

All Members are requested to attend.

R. E. GREENSMITH, Hon. Secretary, Hongkong, 10th March, 1927.

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE AND COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty-first Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, on Saturday, 26th March, 1927, at noon for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 17th to the 26th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order, of the Board of Directors, J. D. THOMSON, Acting Secretary, Hongkong, 11th March, 1927.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY LIMITED.

The Forty-third Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on Thursday, 24th March, at 11.30 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ended 31st December, 1926, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Friday, 18th March, 1927, until Thursday, 24th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

SHewan, TOMES & CO., General Manager, Hongkong, March 12, 1927.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Fifty-eighth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Monday, the 28th March, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1926.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 14th to the 28th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. General Managers, Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 7th March, 1927.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Sixteenth Ordinary Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 6, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd March, 1927, at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 8th March, 1927, to the 23rd March, 1927, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board, LOOK POONG SHAN, Chief Manager, Hongkong, 7th March, 1927.

HONGKONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong Engineering & Construction Company Limited, will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co., St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March 1927, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended on the 31st December, 1926, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 17th to the 23rd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, S. COURTNEY COOK, Secretary, Hongkong, 8th March, 1927.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

The undermentioned Certificates for Shares in this Company have been declared LOST and if at the expiration of ONE MONTH from the date hereof the documents are not forthcoming the said Certificates will be deemed CANCELLED and of no effect and new Certificates will be issued by the Company.

Certificate No. 1639—100 Shares Nos. 58710/58809.

Certificate No. 2748—150 Shares Nos. 149756/149905.

Certificate No. 68—88 Shares Nos. 154006/154088.

All in the name of Mrs. Yeung Kwal Shim.

FOR THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD., SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1927.

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:—

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Hongkong Bank, \$1,080 aa.

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Hongkows, \$150 b.

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H. and S. Hotels, \$765 s.

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Realty, \$585 b.

Territorials, \$21 n.

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Princes Bldgs, \$89 n.

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Ewos Cottons, \$18.50 b.

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China Lights, \$14 b.

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Constructions, \$2.30 n.

Dairy Farms, \$16 1/2 b.

Der A. Wing, \$6 n.

H'kong Electric, \$35 n.

Macao Electric, \$35 n.

Ropes (Old), \$10 s.

Lane Crawford, \$7 b.

Mackintosh, \$19 1/2 n.

Sincoros, \$31 b.

United Asbestos, \$20 n.

Watsons, \$12 1/2 n.

Powells, \$6 1/2 n.

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MARINE ENQUIRY.

(Continued From Page 1.)

The blow struck by Mr. Carter was witnessed by the pilot and two quartermasters.

Captain Wilson admitted that he did not show the log entry to Mr. Carter and gave the Court no reason for not doing so. Mr. Brutton suggested that he had not done so because it was entirely untrue.

The witness' remarks were then such that the President had to reprimand him.

Mr. Brutton then pointed out that the entry was entirely irregular in that the regulations, as stated by the sub-heads, were not complied with.

Witness admitted the slip. It had been made on the day following the alleged assault when the vessel was at Kongmoon and subsequently signed by the Chief Engineer.

At this point of the proceedings, it was discovered that the Chief Engineer was present in Court and the President stated that in consequence his evidence would be unacceptable.

No Opportunity to Refute.

Captain Wilson's attention was then drawn to the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act, whereby a log entry has to be read to the logged officer and a statement taken from him. Witness admitted that Mr. Carter had been given no opportunity of refuting the charge and had in fact not been informed of the logging.

In the opinion of witness, he should have known.

Li Ku, the No. 1 pilot, was then called. He gave evidence as to the Kwong Fook Cheong's departure and the coming to the bridge of Mr. Carter from his duty at the stern. Mr. Carter put the telegraph astern and witness then himself put it ahead again. This, he stated, was all he knew of the case.

Cross-examined by Mr. Brutton, witness stated there was no struggle, no blows and no high words.

Not Worse for Liquor.

In answer to questions by the President, witness said that Mr. Carter's condition was the same as at present in the Court, and he did not appear to be the worse for liquor. Witness had signed the log at Kongmoon at 3.30 p.m. on February 24th, but he did not know what he was signing for, neither was the writing explained to him.

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THE RIGHT STEP.

The definite action taken by the authorities on Saturday with a view to preventing seditious propaganda aboard British ships will, we feel sure, find general commendation. For all too long have the officials and members of the Canton Chinese Seamen's Union been given a large measure of latitude in their anti-British agitation, and apparently they have come to interpret the inaction of the Government as being due to a fear to intervene. Latterly, the Canton river steamers have been the headquarters of a great deal of insulting propaganda directed against foreign nations in general and Britain in particular, but the local authorities have shown marked forbearance by refraining from undue interference. Unhappily, the agitators have been encouraged by this circumstance, until it became evident that the evil could only be put a stop to by definite action.

It has long been known that the Canton Seamen's Union has been busy in efforts to stir up strife and trouble amongst the native seamen of Hongkong. As the exponents of labour tyranny, its leaders have forced their demands on others, and, flushed by what they have come to regard as victories, they have started on a political campaign aimed directly at Britain. They have caused the establishment of Communist "cells" aboard all the steamers plying between Hongkong and Canton, and these organisations have been regularly holding meetings aboard the boats in Hongkong. Not satisfied with that, however, they have presumed to plaster these steamers with seditious placards, which have been displayed in all parts of the ships. The effrontery of using British ships, in a British port, for such propaganda could not, however, be tolerated by the local authorities, so that a continuance of the offences has inevitably led to repressive action. The Government has not sought to interfere with the display of placards in the crews' quarters (although it would be thoroughly justified in so doing), but it is at any rate determined not to permit the exhibition of seditious matter in the more public places aboard ship. It was in accordance with that determination that offensive posters were removed from the s.s. Fatshan on Saturday—a procedure

which was quite in accordance with the laws of the Colony.

We shall no doubt hear from the Nationalist extremists all manner of protests against the action which the Hongkong Government has taken. The circumstances will most certainly be twisted and distorted, and there will be all the usual talk about British "imperialism." But Hongkong reserves the right to operate its laws as it sees fit, in the interests of the community generally and for the due safeguarding of law and order. We have no desire to dictate to any person what his private political views may be, but, as the Home Secretary has just indicated, during the debate on a private member's Bill to regulate Communist schools, it is the propagation of those views in a forbidden manner which really matters. The laws of this Colony prohibit the dissemination of seditious matter, and the posting of these anti-British placards aboard British ships here is a distinct contravention of those laws. Indeed, the authorities could go to even greater lengths than they have in the case of the Fatshan. The time may come when it will be necessary to do so. Be that as it may, however, there can be no questioning either the right or the desirability of the action taken on Saturday.

French Competition.

We notice that a fair amount of prominence has been given in the Home newspapers to the annual report of the Commercial Counsellor of the British Embassy in Paris (Mr. J. R. Cahill) on account of the fact that it throws much light, not only on the complex problems with which France herself is endeavouring to cope but also on certain difficulties with which Britain has been faced for a long time past. It does not yet seem to be fully realised at Home, says a commentator on Mr. Cahill's report, that France has become since the war one of Britain's foremost industrial competitors. The volume of manufactured goods which she exported in 1925 was greater than in 1913 by 83 per cent. For these developments the coalfields of the Saar, the ironfields of Lorraine and the potash of Alsace are largely responsible. It must also be borne in mind that while Great Britain and Germany have been maintaining between them about three million unemployed, France, in spite of unprecedented immigration, has until quite recently been crying out for labour. The simple explanation of this striking contrast is that France by reason of her depreciated exchanges has been underselling her competitors abroad. She has been able to quote lower than countries whose exchanges have been relatively high. This is one of the grounds on which so much criticism of Britain's early return to the gold standard has been based, for it is argued that if Britain's currency were lower she could have sold cheaper (in the currencies of her markets) than she can now. Of course, the present state of affairs by which France finds herself in a favoured position cannot last—is, indeed, almost already at an end—and her industrial prosperity is inevitably bound to suffer a setback. The stabilisation of the franc is bound to bring difficulties with it, but French industry is sufficiently well found to tide over the change. The point of most interest to British manufacturers is that a stabilised franc will do much to remove what has, for some years, been a very powerful competitive factor.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Mar. 12.	124.07 1/2
Paris	30.30 3/4
Brussels	12.12 25/32
Amsterdam	20.20 1/2
Copenhagen	18.20 1/2
Hamburg	18.20 1/2
Vienna	18.20 1/2
Helsinki	18.20 1/2
Lisbon	2.33 1/4
Rio	1.75 1/4
Bombay	1.11 1/4
Hongkong	1.11 1/4
New York	25.22 1/2
Geneva	108.85
Stockholm	18.16 1/4
Oslo	18.55 1/4
Prague	108.85
Madrid	28.15 1/4
Athens	27.7
Buenos Aires	2.75 1/2
Shanghai	2.05 3/32
Yokohama	2.05 3/32
Silver (spot)	25.7 1/8
Silver (forward)	25 1/4

—British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY.

CHANGE IS THE ONLY CONDITION UNDER WHICH A HEALTHY LIFE CAN BE LIVED. IT IS THE ONLY CONDITION UNDER WHICH MAN CAN ATTAIN TO THE FULL FLOW OF HIMSELF.—Bart Kennedy.

The health return for the past week-end shows two cases of diphtheria and one of typhoid. All were Chinese.

Mr. E. M. Robertson, of the Hotel Savoy, has reported the loss of a pendant somewhere between the hotel and the Peak Tramway.

The weather forecast till noon to-morrow, issued by the Royal Observatory, states: "East winds, moderate; overcast, drizzle, mist."

The s.s. Penang Maru, originally due to arrive on Saturday afternoon, came into port this morning. Her master reports a thick fog, making navigation extremely difficult.

Among the passengers returning to Hongkong by the s.s. President Van Buren to-day, was Mr. Wilhelm Herschel, who is connected with the Deutsch Asiatische Bank at Canton.

A Chinese woman suddenly dropped dead while making a purchase at the Central Market yesterday. There were no suspicious circumstances, and the remains were removed to the Mortuary.

As a protest against the Likin Collectorate in Lupau, near Samshui, which is detaining over 60 junks, the shipping merchants of the North River have declared a general strike for the redress of their grievances.

We learn to-day that arrangements are being made with the proprietors of the King Edward Hotel for the accommodation of a number of British officers. This will not interfere with the ordinary business of the hotel.

Shortly after noon on Saturday three Chinese, one of whom was armed with a revolver, gained admittance to No. 21, Bridges Street under the pretext that they had a message from the master of the house, who was out at the time. They at once held up the inmates, all of whom were females, and stole \$180 worth of jewellery.

Sir John Alexander Strachey Bucknill, Puisne Judge of the Patna High Court since 1920, of Patna, Bihar, and Orissa, India, a former attorney General of Hongkong, who died on October 6th, aged fifty-three, left unsettled property in Britain of the gross value of \$3,809, with net personalty \$3,644.

A collision occurred in Des Voeux Road Central shortly after ten o'clock this morning between a taxi-cab and a tramcar. The taxi-driver was obliged to pull up in order to avoid a collision with a ricksha and the tramcar crashed into the rear of his car. No-one was injured, though both vehicles were slightly damaged.

At a quarter to one this morning, an alarm was sent through to Fire Brigade Headquarters from the premises of the Easna Club, at No. 17, Queen's Road Central, where a fire had broken out in a room occupied by the lift-boy. However, before the firemen reached the scene, the outbreak was extinguished by the inmates, and the little damage done was confined to the boy's room, the bedding where the fire originated, being entirely destroyed.

"TORRENT."

IBANEZ FILM AT THE QUEEN'S.

The film version of Ibanez' "Torrent" is now showing at the Queen's Theatre, and the producers have given an excellent interpretation of the novel. Those who have read the book will know that it is a tale of missed love, in which romance and thrills are present. A clever psychological study, the characterisation is all that could be desired, whilst, with the settings in Spain, the scenes are most effective. For the storm scene, which is one of the most vivid we have ever seen screened, it is said that an entire town was built on the banks of a river and then flooded with tons of water. The main roles in "Torrent" are filled by Greta Garbo and Ricardo Cortez, both of whom are first-rate. The former is the new Swedish star, seen for the first time locally yesterday. She is extremely beautiful and an actress of marked ability.

Other features of an admirably varied programme are an international news reel, and Prizma colour film of Trouville, and some much-appreciated operatic solos by Signor Bonavita, who is giving his farewell performances after a highly successful run.

THE BOOKSHELF.

SOME RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

What Great Britain owes to sea power is told in a most engrossing manner by Mr. Archibald Hurd, in "The Islanders," published by Messrs. Cassell and Co., Ltd., at 3s. 6d. In his foreword, the author points out that in the Homeland there are forty-five million people crowded together in a group of islands with about the same area as Papua, in the Pacific, and that although many do not look out over the sea from year's end to year's end, all are nevertheless Islanders, with all that that condition means in weakness and in strength.

Amongst the facts brought out in the book is the point that thirty million of the population live on food brought to the shores of Britain in ships and that as many make a livelihood by working-up, in factory or workshop, raw materials that are imported into the country. What, asks the author, would be the feelings of our forefathers as recently as a century ago if they had known that there was never more than six weeks' supplies of food in the storehouses? In an interesting way, the economics of Britain's position are discussed, with many illuminating facts and figures cited, and special praise is bestowed on the Navy and the Mercantile Marine for the security provided. The new era of aviation is also touched upon most interestingly. The book is really a reprint of a series of articles written for "The Blue Peter," but they have been revised and presented in a most attractive form. All who are true sons of the Empire should make a point of securing a copy.

"Jade Mountain."

"Jade Mountain," by Edith Wherry (Hutchinson and Co., 7s. 6d.) is one of the very best novels dealing with the Orient that we have ever encountered. It has both originality and power, whilst the story is so engrossing that few, having once started it, will be able to lay it aside until the end is reached.

The tale is based on the idea of reincarnation, and the strange relationship which exists between the three main characters is explained in the second part of the book, which reveals their previous existence under the 12th Emperor of the Sung Dynasty. The author, who obviously knows the East and Eastern philosophy well, draws a wonderful picture of ancient China, and the work can be classed as of high merit, both by reason of its unconventionality and also because of the clever manner in which it is written.

"Chinese White."

Of a totally different type is "Chinese White," by David Calder Wilson (Hutchinson and Co., 7s. 6d.). The story is of the adventure kind, in which romance, mystery and tragedy are interwoven. There is plenty of excitement, which will appeal to those who are for this type of novel, and the chief characters are quite well drawn. In some of its aspects, however, the book is a little unsavoury, whilst many of the situations are overdrawn. The pidgin English used will scarcely be recognised by those who have lived in China, much of it resembling the broken English of certain types of Japanese.

To those, however, who like an exciting story with an Eastern setting, "Chinese White" will no doubt make an appeal.

CAFE PARISIEN.

SPECIAL CELEBRATION DINNER.

The Cafe Parisien was well patronised on Saturday evening when a special dinner was offered to patrons in celebration of the restoration of the full licence. Dining tables both upstairs and downstairs were nearly all engaged, and the diners did full justice to the excellent fare provided.

To the strains of a well-balanced orchestra, many couples engaged in dancing, and those who did not dance found much pleasure in listening to the music and watching the dancers. The manager of the Cafe, Mr. S. E. Green, was responsible for the arrangements, and there was every indication that now that the full licence has been restored, the Cafe will become a popular resort for those who want to "lose that lonesome feeling."

Among the passengers who arrived by the s.s. Tjikembang was Captain William J. Todd, one of the principals of Fladlater Mackie Todd and Co., Ltd., for whom Messrs. Gilman and Co., Ltd. are the local agents. Captain Todd is making a short visit to the Colony and is staying at the Raffles Bay Hotel.

The Very Idea!

First Frenchman: Do you know a chap who will lend me a hundred francs?

Second Frenchman: Yes. An American.

First Frenchman: An American? I should say not; he'd want it back.

"I love you like the stars above."

He meant it, too, no doubt. She might have fallen for his line.

But, faith, no stars were out.

There was one characteristic incident in the life of Lady Wimborne which the obituaries have not recalled. It happened at an election in 1910, when one of her sons was a candidate for East Dorset. During the contest a mission hall at Poole was opened by Lady Wimborne, and a minister present, in the course of a prayer highly laudatory of her ladyship, added a petition to the Almighty "especially at this time of anxiety to fill her cup of blessing." As it happened, the prayer was answered with a sufficient majority, but *The Times* correspondent observed that it was the first time that he had ever known the Kingdom of Heaven to be canvassed in a by-election.

Policeman at Lambeth: There were three men, your worship—Prisoner: There were not three; there were only two and myself.

Elderly woman at Willesden: This girl is ten years younger than I am.

Judge Snagge, at Bow County Court: You must make a better offer to pay.—Debtor: Look here, old chap; why offer to do what you cannot perform?

Walthamstow debtor: Some creditors are quite decent. I owe £1,600 to one, and he does not worry me a bit.

Barrister, to voluble woman at Bow: Now will you allow me to speak?—The woman: Oh, I can put up as good a show as you, and I am not paid for it.

Magistrate's clerk at Bangor: What are you?—Man: I am the village blacksmith.

Socialism is a relic of the Victorian age.—Mr. Walter Leaf.

I absolutely refuse to allow any man to rob me of my share in Magna Charta or Shakespeare, because of Bannockburn and Flodden.—Lord Balfour.

If schism is a sin, then the whole of Christendom is at present guilty of it.—Canon Bindley.

It becomes more and more worth while to address people through the Press than to talk to them by word of mouth.—Dean Inge.

People are beginning to learn that it does not pay to make a building ugly.—Mr. Baldwin.

Sometimes to save one's face is to lose one's soul.—Father Waggett.

Captain (to Irishman applying for job on board a ship): Have you even been to sea before?

The Son of Erin: Do you think I came over from Oireland in a cab?

It was an old car and the tail lights had gone out suddenly. The driver turned to his pretty young companion and asked her to go to the nearest shop to see if she could obtain some oil. She went. After some time she came back. "Well?"

"I couldn't get any," she said. "They all said they had 'no red oil'!"

Mr. Arnold Bennett's comment on Henry James—"I will admit that he knew everything about writing novels—except—how to keep my attention." Was it not Oscar Wilde who said of that greater novelist, George Meredith: "Who can describe him? As a writer he has mastered everything except language; as a novelist he can do everything except tell a story; as an artist he is everything except articulate."

"I have on the identical pair of trousers to-night that I wore on my first appearance here fifty-four years ago," said a farmer at Ochlutree, Ayrshire, schoolfellows' reunion dinner.

Recently there was trouble with the inmates of the prison at Lalchau, a little place in the north-west of Tonkin. A number overpowered the guards, seized their arms and fled into the jungle towards the frontier of Yunnan. Two Europeans were killed. By the 7th Feb. 25 of the rebels had been killed or captured, while 35 were still in the jungle. They were prevented from getting through to China. There were some 620 prisoners in the place at the time, all condemned to hard labour.

TROUBLE IN COURT.

WOMAN CREATES A DISTURBANCE.

After being fined, with several others, for trespassing on a Government plantation near Cheung Sha Wan, a woman villager was stated to have accused the forest guards of perjury on her leaving the Court. The woman had raised her voice to such a tone that the Kowloon Magistrate was interrupted in the pursuance of his duties.

The woman was brought back into Court, when she further accused the Court constable of assaulting her. Inspector McWalter, however, was standing on the Magistracy verandah and contradicted the woman's statement.

His Worship fined the woman, who had already been mulcted in a fine of \$15 for trespassing, a further \$10 for creating a disturbance within the precincts of the Court.

CHINESE STEAMER DETAINED.

ARMED SOLDIERS ON BOARD.

"Bound for Pakhoi and Hoihow, the Chinese steamer Limchow has been detained in Hongkong since her arrival here from Canton yesterday.

On enquiries, a *Telegraph* reporter learned this morning that her detention for the time being in port has been necessitated by the fact that armed Chinese soldiers are on board.

The fact of their embarkation and their presence on board with arms is stated not to have been reported to the Captain until the Limchow was well on her way between Canton and Hongkong. On arrival here, the local police authorities took charge of the steamer, while investigations are proceeding.

The Limchow is a Chinese steamer. During the period of the boycott last year, she omitted Hongkong from her ports of call.

BAGUIO QUAKE.

HOTEL RESIDENTS AWAKENED.

A Hongkong resident who is spending a short holiday at Baguio, writes that a rather alarming earthquake shock was experienced there during the night of March 6th.

He states that residents at the Hotel Pines were awakened at 12.30 a.m. to find the hotel rocking. "My bed did one or two buck-jumps. This lasted fully 15 seconds, and five seconds or so later there was a second shock lasting only a few seconds and much less severe than the first. An old resident tells me that he has experienced several quakes here during the past 15 years, but that last night's was the most severe for a very long time."

WORKMAN'S THEFT.

FITTINGS FROM PENINSULA HOTEL.

A quantity of pipe fittings, valued at \$7, formed the subject of a charge of larceny brought against a workman employed at the Peninsula Hotel, who was prosecuted by Mr. S. Butcher, before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon magistracy, this morning.

The defendant, who pleaded guilty, was stated to have been arrested near Holt's Wharf with the fittings in his possession. It was suggested by the prosecution that the defendant had probably been collecting the fittings singly for some time.

A fine of \$25, or three weeks' hard labour in default was imposed.

DUCHESS OF YORK.

IS NOW CONVALESCENT.

Wellington, March 13. The Duchess of York has arrived here and a Bulletin states that her condition is quite satisfactory. The tonsillitis has nearly subsided but complete rest is essential to re-establish her health. She may now be regarded as convalescent, and no further bulletins will be issued.—*Reuter*.

The Duke Carries On. A message from New Zealand says that the Duke is continuing the tour of the South Island alone and that on Saturday on a journey from Greymouth to Christchurch, he drove an electric train through five miles of tunnel. He afterwards drove a steam train, at times exceeding fifty miles per hour.—*British Wireless*.

AFTER 20 YEARS.

SHIPPING FAILURE RECALLED.

A SINGAPORE DISCHARGE.

The failure of an important shipping company as far back as 1905, and the connection of the late Oei Tiong Ham, the Java multi-millionaire, with that company were recalled in the Bankruptcy Court at Singapore last week, before Mr. Justice Deane, when Tan Hup Seng, the former managing director of the company and now a *chin-chew* on a ship, appeared to ask for his discharge from bankruptcy.

The Official Assignee, in his report, said that the bankrupt was formerly a partner in the firm of Tan Kim Tian and Co., which went bankrupt in 1905. That firm had been in existence for thirty or forty years, but the bankrupt joined it in 1898, when he was worth \$50,000. The three brothers who owned the firm decided to join forces with one T. C. Boogardt, a shipowner, and they formed a private company called Tan Kim Tian and Co.

Money Raised.

The bankrupt and his two brothers raised money on their shares in order to cover mortgages. In 1903 the company went into voluntary liquidation, and the bankrupt and his brothers decided to risk their all on the ships belonging to the company. The purchase price of the ships was \$700,000. The company was liquidated at \$82 per share, but the brothers had to pay out practically all they realised for their shares in payment of previous mortgages and charges.

The original intention was that the late Oei Tiong Ham, who was a rich tuckay of Samarang, should join the brothers as a partner and contribute some \$450,000, but nothing was obtained from him in writing, and after the offer of \$700,000 had been made for the ships Oei Tiong Ham appeared to have refused to join as a partner. Oei Tiong Ham advanced the brothers \$450,000 on a mortgage of their ships, and the balance of the \$700,000 was raised by charging all their available assets.

Vague Control.

The bankrupt became the managing director of the new firm, but he appeared, as did all the partners, to have exercised very vague control over the business, and the accounts did not appear to be accurate. The bankrupt had admitted that docking charges amounting to \$70,000 per annum were not entered in the books, which consequently showed a profit each year.

It appeared that the business was quite unable to carry the very heavy charges for interest involved in the fact that it was financed almost entirely with borrowed money. In one year alone \$90,000 was paid out in interest.

When the firm failed Oei Tiong Ham bought the ships at an auction through an attorney, and he later offered a composition of twenty per cent in the bankruptcy. His connection with the firm appeared to have been a little suspicious. The brothers of the bankrupt were granted their discharge in 1906 and 1907 respectively.

Lawyer's Plea.

Mr. Dudley Parsons, for the bankrupt, pointed out that his client had been a bankrupt for over 21 years and was now an old man over sixty. He had been employed as a *chin-chew* on a boat, and the only reason for the present application was that he had become too old to hold that position, and he had been offered a position ashore at Samarang. He could not accept the latter position unless he was granted his discharge. He had paid bitterly for the follies of his youth, counsel added.

In reply to his Lordship, who pointed out that Oei Tiong Ham's connection with the firm had apparently been a suspicious one, counsel said that the brothers relied upon Oei Tiong Ham to join them as a partner, but he evidently did not trust the business, and only lent them the money on a mortgage of the assets.

His Lordship. He seems to have collared the whole thing. The Assistant Official Assignee (Mr. Gibson) did not oppose the application, and his Lordship granted the discharge, but suspended it for three months.

THE SAAR DECISION.

GERMANY NOT PLEASED.

Berlin, March 13. The press here is not enthusiastic with regard to the Saar decision, regarding which the extreme Nationalist journals sharply criticised Dr. Stresemann. The *Deutsche Zeitung* demands that Germany quit the League and that Dr. Stresemann resign.—*Reuter*.

"THE BETTER 'OLE."

FOR THE SERVICES.

The new Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. in Peking Road, Kowloon, was opened yesterday, and thus, within the comparatively short time which has elapsed since it was known that certain battalions of the Shanghai Defence Force would be quartered in Hongkong, two new places of entertainment and recreation for the troops have been inaugurated.

This not only speaks must for the generosity of those who have helped by gifts of equipment of various kinds, but for the band of workers responsible for the establishment and fitting up of the new premises.

The new Y.M.C.A. building on the Hongkong side is situated in Queen's Building and is known as the "Cheer O" Y.M.C.A., and its counterpart on the Peninsula has the appropriate title of "The Better 'Ole." The godown which has been secured in Peking Road is ideal for the purpose and it will now form a centre where troops will be provided with entertainments, reading, writing and refreshment facilities.

Excellent Facilities.

"The Better 'Ole" is almost twice as large as the majority of Y.M.C.A. centres erected during the war. Adequate canteen facilities have been provided and it is interesting to note that the tea-pot method and not the urn method will be employed in tea making.

Desks set out with writing materials are also provided and a timely notice on the wall acts as a reminder that people at Home are interested in the doings of the troops in the Far East. Writing materials are provided free, of course, and arrangements have also been made for the sale of stamps.

Other tables are provided for reading purposes and these are well filled with periodicals of which an excellent supply has been obtained. A pile of gramophone records gives an indication that the troops will not lack music. One of the features of the "Better 'Ole," however, is the large stage which has been made and the seating accommodation available for a large number of men for concerts and entertainments.

The new premises are extremely well lighted and everything is being done to ensure that they are as cool as possible in summer.

THE DRUG TRADE.

THE USE OF COPENHAGEN.

London, Mar. 13. The Report of the League of Nations' Opium Committee states that the free port of Copenhagen causes considerable anxiety inasmuch as it is extensively used for the illicit despatch of drugs from European countries and also used as a convenient transshipment centre. The League Secretariat has been instructed to approach the Danish Government on the matter. The Report reveals that the German police recently discovered the existence of an international band of smugglers carrying on a traffic of "almost incredible extent." The orders for drugs mostly emanated from the Far East and the operations were conducted chiefly through Copenhagen. It is hoped that a later discovery by the same police will shed much light on the methods of the contrabandists and also their sources of supply.

The Council adopted a resolution by Sir Malcolm Delevingne requesting the Committee to investigate the measures taken or that might be taken by the governments of countries engaged in the manufacture and distribution of drugs to keep a check on the disposal of drugs to ensure that they are supplied only to authorised persons. Sir Malcolm Delevingne stated that there was little information regarding the source of the drugs and urged that the investigation should begin with the manufacturer or large importer and proceed, step by step, through the chain of transactions, until the leakage is discovered.—*Reuter*.

Berlin.—Berlin police have received an ordinance prescribing drastic penalties for mashing in the German capital. Cavaliers who approach unfamiliar ladies will hereafter run the risk of atoning for their action during two weeks in jail, or if they are luckier, by paying a fine. Deputy Police Chief Ferdinand Friedensburg has just brushed the dust off a 1903 ordinance, calculated to stem the epidemic of mashing on Berlin streets and in public conveyances. In announcing this policy, Friedensburg declared that police headquarters have recently been flooded with complaints from women, who assert that Berlin men have recently become shameless in their advances.

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LATE DR. SUN.

HONGKONG ANNIVERSARY OBSERVANCES.

Many thousands of Chinese visited Lee Gardens on Saturday, the second anniversary of the death of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, where special observances to mark the event were held.

The main feature of the observances was a memorial service, held in the theatre, over which Mr. Wong Tong presided. On the stage there was a large portrait of the late Dr. Sun, and after those present had made three bows thereto, there was a period of three minutes' silence, followed by the reading of Dr. Sun's last will and testament. Then a number of Chinese girl students rendered songs and a Chinese National Anthem was sung, this being followed by the shooting of alogans. There were no speeches delivered. Representatives of the police and the Secretariat of Chinese Affairs were present.

Singapore Incident.

Singapore, Mar. 13. The police fired twice and killed six and injured eleven Chinese, when crowds got out of hand, arising from excitement in attending a demonstration to celebrate the anniversary of the death of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

A large party of night scholars held a procession and blocked the traffic. A European police inspector and two constables, trying to clear the congestion, were assaulted and were compelled to use their truncheons. The mob later attempted to rush the police station and an Inspector was severely wounded on the head, whereupon the police fired.—*Reuter*.

[A message from our Singapore correspondent, giving another version of the incident, appears on another page.]

THE "CALIFORNIA."

TOURIST VESSEL TO ARRIVE TO-NIGHT.

The tourist vessel s.s. California, which was due in Hongkong this morning, will not make port until to-night, her expected time being between 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. The California was two days late at Yokohama, the trip across the Pacific being marked by heavy weather. An additional delay at Shanghai has so far prevented the vessel from making up the lost time.

There are about 650 tourists on board, but their stay in Hongkong will be comparatively short, the vessel being due to leave here again on Wednesday at 8 p.m. To-morrow half the party will visit Macao, while the other half will make tours of the Island and New Territories.

The vessel left New York on January 19 and travelling west, has already called at Havana, Colon, Balboa, Los Angeles, Hilo, Honolulu, Yokohama, Tokyo, Kobe and Shanghai and from here will proceed to Manila, thence to Batavia, Singapore, Rangoon, Calcutta, Colombo, Bombay, Suez, Cairo, Port Said, Haifa, Jerusalem, Athens, Naples, Monaco and Cherbourg.

The passengers include Miss Teenie Belle Colbert, Professor and Mrs. J. S. Young, Dr. Francesco Penlenet, Mrs. Robert D. Craighead, Mrs. Glen Yarbrough, Miss Josephine Yarbrough, Miss Flora Van Loan, Miss Hilda Jeanette Ward, Mr. and Mrs. George Weston, Dr. Mary Achsah Williams and Dr. and Mrs. W. O. Wisner.

No further details of the passengers will be available until the California arrives in port. The tourist Department of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., is in charge of the local arrangements.

H.M.S. ARGUS ARRIVES.

STRANGE AIRCRAFT CARRIER.

Perhaps the strangest-looking craft ever to come into Hongkong—the aircraft carrier H.M.S. Argus—arrived on Saturday afternoon and buoyed at No. A1 berth, which is in the track of the Kowloon ferry service, thus giving residents a close-up view of the unusual ship.

With no funnel, with a huge flat-top deck unrelieved by a bridge, and with her sides towering to a phenomenal height, the vessel is of weird design, though obviously suited to her function of carrying aeroplanes and providing a launching deck for them.

The Argus left Portsmouth on February 21, so far as can be ascertained, and has made the passage out in approximately three weeks.

Commanded by Captain A. R. Palmer, she was recently commissioned after a year in dockyard hands for alterations. Begun in 1914 as a liner for an Italian firm, and acquired by the Navy in 1916 for conversion into an aircraft-carrier, there is accommodation on board for 20 aeroplanes.

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The Argus is an aircraft-carrier of 14,450 tons with a horse power of 20,000, giving a speed of something better than 20 knots. In the latter part of last year, she was under reconstruction and was commissioned for trials on November 23, as a tender to H. M. S. Pembroke, having previously been attached to the Atlantic Fleet. The Commander is M. W. Boucher, D. S. O.

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On being called, on Saturday afternoon, to Bridges Street, where an armed robbery had just occurred, a party of detectives travelled, in a public motor car which they had commandeered at Police Headquarters.

On returning half-an-hour later, the car crashed into a hawkker's stall which was pitched too far towards the centre of the roadway at Staunton Street. The stall was completely smashed, and the wares scattered over the roadway. It is understood that a summons is being taken against the hawkker for obstruction of the roadway.

An anonymous gift of 1,000 guineas has been received by the Lord Mayor Treloar Cripples' Hospital and College, in memory of the late treasurer, Sir William Henry Dunn.

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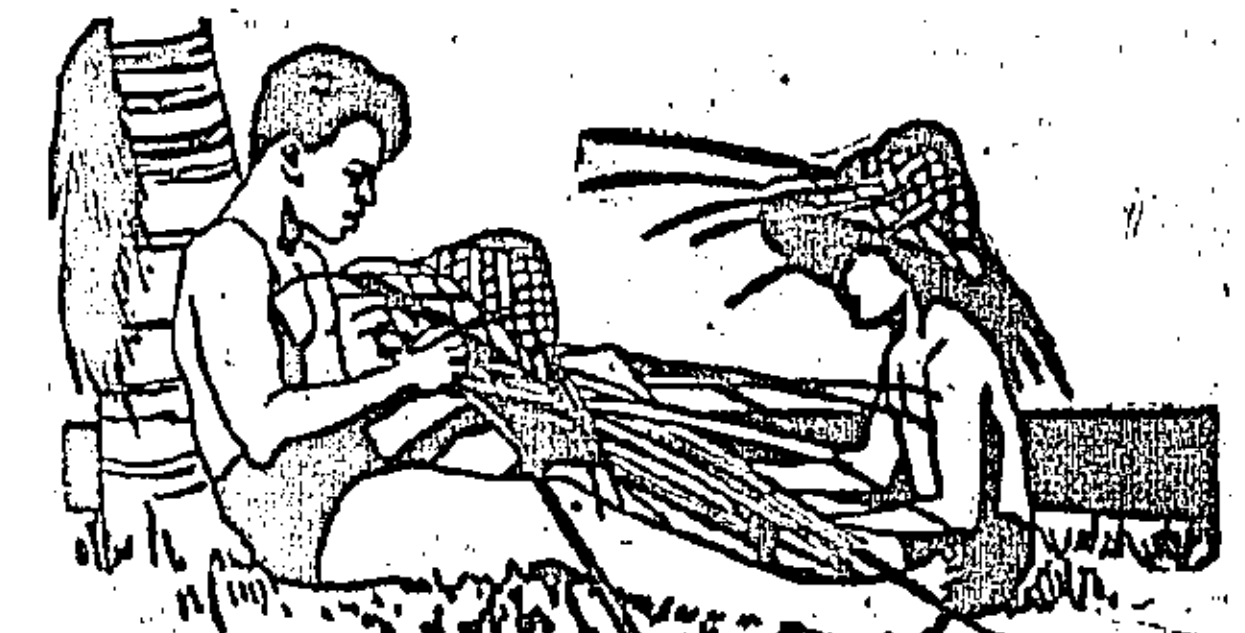
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CLUB DOUBLES.

KOWLOON AND K.O.S.B. SHIELD FINALISTS.

JUNIOR AND SENIOR.

[By "Wanderer."]

In qualifying for the final of the Senior Shield by defeating the R.A. on Saturday, Kowloon Football Club achieved the honour for the fifth consecutive season. Kowloon have not been defeated in a Shield since the spring of 1924, and they made no mistake on Saturday.

Their opponents in this year's final will be the King's Own Scottish Borderers, who reached the last stage at the first time of asking.

The Junior Shield ties resulted in the success of the Kowloon 2nd XI and K.O.S.B. 2nd XI, so that the unique position of two clubs contesting both finals has arisen.

The details of the Shield ties, and two league matches played on Saturday, are appended:

SENIOR SHIELD. Semi-Finals.

Kowloon 3 R.A. 1

K.O.S.B. 3 Police 0

JUNIOR SHIELD. Semi-Finals.

Kowloon Res. 2 H.K.F.C. Res. 1

K.O.S.B. Res. 3 Chinese Ath "A" 1

JUNIOR DIVISION "A".

Chinese Ath. "B" 0 Riverdale 0

S. China Res. 2 University 1

KOWLOON'S VICTORY.

Forward Efficiency Decides Issue.

A marked superiority in the region of goal coupled with the more precise constructive play of their half-backs, gained success for Kowloon in the Senior Shield semi-final at Soekunpoo.

The Royal Artillery were defeated by three goals to one, a result which indicates the greater efficiency of the Kowloon forwards rather than the run of the play.

The Royal Artillery made ground by long sweeping passes, and big kicking, a feature which tended to upset Kowloon's usual cohesive tactics, and as a consequence the match was on the scrappy side.

Kowloon deserve credit for so quickly adapting themselves to the Cup-tie spirit. They settled down almost immediately and were one up within five minutes of the start.

May was the scorer, but his opportunity was made for him by Sims, who deceived the defence cleverly and gave May a comfortable opening. May eluded Trim's tackle and placed the ball well out of Stanton's reach.

To use a time-honoured phrase, end to end play followed and Durand brought off a sensational save from Pulford close in. It was equally evident that Leach's appearance on the field was of little value to his side. His leg injury was giving him severe trouble, and he was unable to hold the line together.

Beyond Doubt.

The Muir-Tierman wing caused Trim and Heale plenty of trouble, and it was after a nice movement by the left winger that the second goal accrued to Kowloon. Orr, who secured close in, tricked two men, and though tackled again, shot well out of Stanton's reach with a serving shot.

For some time in the second half the Royal Artillery displayed something more akin to their usual form, but Caville was in great fettle and Durand dealt with every shot in masterly style. He made a brilliant one-handed save from Leach's header to save a certain goal, and then Kowloon took up the initiative once again and placed the issue beyond doubt with a third goal.

The left wing left Heale standing and Tierman ran into the winger's position. The R.A. defence concentrated on the goal-mouth instead of tackling, and Tierman worked his way in and scored a splendid goal from an acute angle.

Just before the end, Pulford netted for the R.A. from Ward's centre.

Substitutes Do Well.

Both Earl and Hedley, Kowloon's substitutes for Wheeler and McKelvie began very weakly, but they gained confidence, as the game went on, and were playing very strongly in the second half.

Durand made many splendid saves in goal, Caville was the soundest back on the field, and Sims worked magnificently both defensively and constructively. Baldwin worried Ward off his usual game, and created considerable danger by his long passes to the right.

All the Kowloon forwards with the exception of Hayes played splendidly throughout. The inside men worked with determination, and Muir continued his improvement of recent weeks. Hayes was troubled by the hard

ground and the light ball, though on occasion his centres were highly dangerous and more than once he was within an ace of scoring.

Outstanding in the R.A. eleven were Blanchard, Pulford and Ward. The half-backs were a hard-working trio, but had the inclination to over-kick their forwards.

THREE GOALS TO NIL.

Borderers Too Good For Police.

The artistry of the Rev. Alexander on the K.O.S.B. left wing was one of the principal factors in the heavy defeat of the Police in the Senior Shield semi-final on the Club ground. The Police defence has not conceded so many goals since the Tamar ran riot against them at the beginning of the season.

McGlinchey again partnered the Padre and the pair always had Wynne and Britain in two minds. The first and third goals were the direct result of their efforts, the Rev. Alexander netting the third himself.

The Police attack on the other hand was rarely dangerous except in occasional breakaways, and Anderson had a comparatively easy afternoon in the Borderers goal.

Sterling Defence.

The Borderers settled down to a lively pace at the start and it was not long before Stock accepted an opportunity presented by a delightful pass by the Rev. Alexander. He defeated Clark with ease. The Borderers endeavoured to press home their advantage but Wynne and Orr put up a sterling display until over half an hour had elapsed, and then Humphreys scored unexpectedly with a shot which struck the underside of the cross-bar before finding the net.

The game was more scrappy after the interval and further goalkeeping appeared unlikely until the Rev. Alexander completed one of his spectacular solo efforts by passing to Stock, who returned for Alexander to trick Clark, who ran out in a last effort, and walk the ball into the net.

The Borderers were full value for their victory. The Police made only spasmodic rushes, though the defence put up a capital display. The Borderers half-back line was sound and their forwards were clever.

CLUB DOUBLES.

The Kowloon 2nd XI and the K.O.S.B. XI emulated the example of their seniors and qualified to contest the final of the junior shield competition.

The Kowloon success was gained at the expense of the H.K.F.C. Reserves, whom they defeated by two goals to one. The game was hard fought from start to finish, but Kowloon lasted the game better, and in the last twenty minutes might have added further goals but for some fine goalkeeping by Slipp.

Pasco opened the scoring with an overhead kick which completely deceived Slipp, but just before the interval Johnston equalised in good style. The second half was about twenty minutes old when Vickers took a pass from Pile and scored Kowloon's second goal.

The K.O.S.B. Reserves are unbeaten in competitive football in this Colony and in the other semi-final on the Club ground, the Chinese Athletic "A" at no time appeared capable of robbing them of their cherished record. This in spite of the fact that the Chinese opened the scoring soon after the start and held the lead until after the interval.

The Chinese played strenuously to preserve their lead but the continued pressure of the Borderers told its tale, and Crawley (2) and Barries netted before the end.

Unruly Spectators.

There was a scene at the close and it is to be regretted that the intervention of the police and officials of the Chinese Athletic Association was necessary to restore order. The encroachment of Chinese spectators on to the ground at the end of a match which has been lost is becoming all too frequent, and it is a question which must receive serious consideration before the commencement of a new season.

League Matches.

Two Junior Division "A" matches were played yesterday, both resulting in surprises. The Chinese Athletic "B" team forced a draw with the Recreation Reserves, in so doing gaining their first point of the season, while South China Reserves also badly in need of points defeated the University.

FRIENDLY TO-MORROW.

The Hongkong F.C. is playing a friendly match against H.M.S. Froisher on the Club ground to-morrow, kick-off 5.15 p.m. The H.K.F.C. will be represented as follows: Rodgers; Wallington; Bishop; Ralston; McBride; Linaker; Taylor; Alexander; Howard; Hanson and Valentino.

HOME FOOTBALL.

LEAGUE RESULTS AND TABLES.

Division I.

Birmingham	4	Manchester U.	0
Blackburn	1	Newcastle	2
Bury	2	Bolton	0
Everton	2	Leeds	0
Huddersfield	2	Burnley	0
Leicester	2	Liverpool	0
Wednesday	4	Arsenal	0
Sunderland	2	Cardiff	0
Tottenham	3	Derby	2
West Brom. A.	6	Aston Villa	2
West Ham	3	Sheffield U.	0

Newcastle	31	19	5	7	76	43	43
Huddersfield	31	14	13	4	67	46	41
Sunderland	33	16	6	11	76	58	38
Burnley	32	15	7	10	74	59	37
Leicester	32	14	8	10	74	61	36
West Ham	32	16	4	12	60	48	36
Aston Villa	33	15	5	13	67	66	35
Liverpool	32	15	4	13	54	46	34
Bolton	31	13	7	11	54	40	33
Blackburn	33	14	5	14	66	76	33
Tottenham	32	12	8	12	59	60	32
Arsenal	31	11	9	11	54	63	31
Sheffield U.	31	11	9	11	53	68	31
Manch. U.	32	11	8	13	43	53	30
Wednesday	33	11	8	14	58	70	30
Birmingham	31	13	3	15	40	51	29
Bury	31	10	8	13	51	56	28
Derby	31	13	1	17	59	57	27
Cardiff	30	9	8	13	57	48	26
Everton	34	9	7	18	55	80	25
Leeds	32	8	7	17	50	62	23
West Brom. A.	32	8	6	18	52	70	22

Division II.

Barnsley	1	Middlesbrough	1
Blackpool	4	Hull City	0
Doncaster	1	Southampton	2
Fulham	0	Proston N. E.	1
Grimsby	1	South Shields	1
Manchester C.	4	Port Vale	1
Notts Forest	1	Clapton C.	1
Oldham	1	Chelms	1
Portsmouth	1	Bradford C.	0
Reading	1	Wolves	2
Swansea	0	Notts County	1

Middlesbrough	31	19	7	5	93	51	45
Notts For.	32	15	11	6	62	41	41
Preston	30	16	9	5	61	44	41
Manch City	31	17	5	9	76	47	39
Portsmouth	29	16	6	7	56	35	38
Hull City	31	16	5	10	46	35	37
Chelms	28	15	7	6	48	38	37
Swansea	30	13	9	8	52	46	35
Southampton	29	14	6	9	50	42	34
Blackpool	30	13	6	12	67	57	32
Port Vale	30	11	9	5	59	58	31
Oldham	32	13	4	15	53	68	30
Reading	28	11	5	12	49	48	27
Barnsley	30	10	7	13	57	71	27
Sth. Shields	29	9	8	12	55	57	26
Grimsby	31	8	8	15	55	72	24
Notts County	31	10	4	17	52	70	24
Wolves	29	8	7	14	54	52	23
Fulham	31	8	7	16	38	69	23
Darlington	31	8	4	19	54	71	20
Clapton	30	6	6	18	38	74	18
Bradford C.	32	3	3	21	33	63	14

Division III (South).

Aberdeen	0	Luton	1
Bournemouth	4	Exeter	0
Bristol C.	2	Swindon	0
Charlton	3	Bristol R.	1
Coventry	3	Brentford	0
Crystal Pal.	3	Northampton	0
Gillingham	2	Norwich	0
Newport	3	Southend	0
Plymouth	1	Merthyr	1
Q. P. R.	1	Millwall	1
Watford	1	Brighton	0

Bristol C.	30	20	7	3	86	43	47
Brighton	31	18	7	6	67	33	43
Swindon	32	18	7	7	78	55	43
Millwall	30	16	8	6	65	38	40
Plymouth	30	15	9	6	69	49	39
Newport	31	18	3	10	50	52	39
Crystal Pal.	30	14	6	10	60	54	34
Bournemouth	31	13	7	11	64	54	33
Luton	32	11	11	10	51	53	33
Exeter	32	12	8	12	62	58	32
Brentford	28	11	7	10	60	50	29
Norwich	31	10	8	13	51	60	28
Charlton	30	10	7	13	43	46	27
Southend	32	11	5	16	54	61	27
Bristol Rov.	29	10	6	13	45	53	26
Coventry	31	12	2	17	55	74	26
Merthyr	31	9	5	17	50	65	23
Gillingham	30	8	7	15	38	51	23
Q. P. R.	31	8	7	16	46	65	23
Northants	32	9	5	18	44	69	23
Watford	32	10	3	19	42	67	23
Aberdeen	32	6	5	21	47	80	17

Division III (North).

Ashington	2	Tramwre	1
Bradford	2	Hallifax	1
Chesterfield	7	Durham	1
Doncaster	2	Hartlepool	0
Nelson	1	Accrington	0
R. Brighton	1	Rochdale	0
Rotherham	2	Barnow	0
Stoke City	2	Crewe	1
Walsall	1	Lincoln	2
Wigan	2	Stockport	0
Wrexham	3	Southport	0
Not played.			

Stoke	32	21	7	4	72	28	49
Rochdale	32	19	6	7	78	50	44
Nelson	29	19	5	5	83	44	43
Hallifax	31	17	9	5	57	38	43
Bradford	32	18	6	8	71	43	42
Stockport	31	18	4	9	71	49	40
N. Brighton	31	13	9	9	58	45	39
Tramwre	31	14	5	12	63	53	33
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Hartlepool	32	12	4	16	50	57	28
Rotherham	33	9	10	14	60	71	28
Lincoln	32	11	13	6	63	64	27
Wrexham	31	9	8	14	48	54	26
Wigan	33	10	6	17	55	67	26
Ashington	30	8	9	13	41	70	25
Southport	29	8	8	13	51	60	24
Croft	30	8	7	15	50	58	23
Durham	31	8	4	19	37	76	20
Accrington	32	6	6	20	50	82	18
Barrow	31	4	7	20	26	87	15

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Millwall	v	Bristol City.
Swindon	v	Plymouth.

Stockport	v	Stoke City.
Tranmere	v	Wrexham.

Cowdenbeath	v	Rangers.
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THE ROYAL TOUR.

ILLNESS OF DUCHESS CAUSES
DISAPPOINTMENT.

London, March 13.

H.R.H. the Duchess of York has been suffering from mild tonsillitis. She broke her journey at Nelson, but the Duke of York continued to fulfil his scheduled programme on land.

The Renown is now anchored off Nelson to re-embark the Duchess, who will meet her husband in due course.—*Reuter.*

Disappointment.

Nelson, March 12.

The morning bulletin states that the Duchess of York's con-

dition is completely satisfactory. The inflammation in the throat has not yet entirely subsided, and it is inadvisable that she should travel to-day.

Later.

Much disappointment has been caused by an official statement that the Duchess of York, acting under medical advice, is most regretfully compelled to abandon the remainder of her tour in South Island and is going to Government House, Wellington, to convalesce. The Duke will complete the tour in South Island, alone.—*Reuter.*

Two of the principals in "Lido Lady" at the Gaiety Theatre, Mr. Harold French and Miss Phyl Arnold, who were married at Brompton Oortory, had three days for their honeymoon, returning to the east on the Monday.

THE RUPEE.

PURCHASE OF GOLD BARS
REDUCED.

Delhi, March 12.

The Assembly spent five hours to-day discussing Clause 4 of the Currency Bill, imposing on the Government the obligation of purchasing gold bars of not less than 1,065 tolas of fine gold at Rs.21 9 per tola.

An amendment by Seshay Yanga, substituting 40 for 1,065, was carried by 65 votes to 57. After Sir Basil Blackett had suggested the figure 300, and had said that the Government did not want the Currency authorities to usurp the position of the bullion market.

The clause was finally carried by 67 votes to 62.—*Reuter.*

[The fifth recommendation of the Currency Commission was that an obligation should be imposed by statute on the Reserve Bank to buy and sell bar gold without limit, at rates determined with reference to a fixed gold parity of the rupee, but in quantities of not less than 400 fine ounces.]

THE SAAR.

POLICE TO REPLACE FRENCH
TROOPS.

Geneva, March 12.

The vexed question of the occupation of the Saar region has been settled by the unanimous adoption by the Council of the League of Nations of the Saar Governing Commission's proposals whereby a police force of eight hundred men will replace the existing French troops for the protection of the railways.

Herr Stresemann finally agreed not to press his demand for a reduction of the force to five hundred, and that Council made a declaration that in accordance with Herr Stresemann's wish the evacuation of troops from the Saar and the enforcement of the new order would take place within three months. They also agreed that the new police force would not be used except in exceptionally grave circumstances, and that the figure of eight hundred should be regarded as the maximum, reducible if possible.—*Reuter.*

IRAQ GARRISON.

LAST BRITISH BATTALION
LEAVES.

Rugby, Mar. 12.

On the tenth anniversary of the entry of British forces into Baghdad, the last British regiment of the Iraq garrison, the Second Battalion King's Regiment, has left that city for England. The Iraq Army mounted a guard of honour as the battalion entrained. Only one Indian infantry battalion now remains in Iraq.—*British Wireless.*

AMERICAN MONEY.

BRISBANE BONDS
OVERSUBSCRIBED.

New York, March 12.

The first appearance of Queensland's Capital as a borrower in Wall Street was signalled by the over-subscription within seven and a half minutes of \$7,500,000 five per cent. City of Brisbane gold bonds at the price of \$96.—*Reuter's American Service.*

CONSUL MURDERED.

FOR REFUSING TO COLLECT
DEBT.

Sao Paulo, Mar. 12.

Mr. H. W. Goforth, United States Consul, has been fatally stabbed, it is alleged by a man who declares himself an American citizen whom Mr. Goforth declined to assist in collecting a debt.—*Reuter's American Service.*

SUBMARINE MISSING.

ANXIETY FOR SPAIN'S
LATEST SHIP.

Madrid, March 13.

It is reported from Cartagena that Spain's latest submarine, the B6, has not appeared for three days. She was last seen diving.—*Reuter.*

GAZETTE.

LATEST APPOINTMENTS IN
THE SERVICES.

February 11.—Capt. D. B. la Motte to Vindictive in command, on relief; R. B. Ramsey to Despatch, addl., February 24, and Despatch in command from date of joining, previous orders cancelled. Lt.-Col. M. S. Spalding, D.S.C., to Verity in command, on arrival on station, appoint. to Wolsey cancelled; A. M. Donavan, D.S.C., to Wolsey, in command on relief, for passage home; Lts. P. W. Dimsdale to Dauntless, February 15; M. Mc. Church, appointment to Hermes cancelled. Lia. (F.O.R.A.F.) the Hon. J. M. Southwell to Tamar, January 24; C. J. N. Atkinson, F. G. Wynne, F. H. G. Oliphant, E. O. F. Price, R. F. B. Cecil to Argus, on arrival at Malta; Surg.-Lt. J. P. Henderson, M.B., to Bee, addl., February 7 and for duty in Aphis and Ladybird, as required, from date of joining; R.A.F.—Flying Officers E. A. H. Fisher, W. D. Baxter, R. H. Rose to Argus, for flying duties, January 26; N. Young, A. A. Jones to Tamar, January 24; M. V. Moreton, F. C. Rowland, J. F. F. Pain, G. H. Loughman to Hermes, for observer duties, January 24; Flight Lt. C. E. W. Foster, E. J. L. Hope to Argus, January 26; B. B. Caswell, F. J. Farmer to Tamar, for duty with F.A.A. Repair Section, Hongkong, January 24; J. A. McDonald to Hermes, for duty with F.A.A. Shore W/T Stations, January 24.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE THIN RED LINE.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir,—I am now rewriting and bringing up to date the history of the 93rd Sutherland Highlanders, the "Thin Red Line," and I would be very grateful if anyone who has old letters, diaries, records, or other information regarding this battalion, more especially between 1799 and 1843, would kindly communicate with me at the above address.

Should this meet the eye of any desirous of ordering a copy (price not exceeding one pound) they are asked to do so through me as soon as possible.

If you can find space for the above in your valued journal my brother officers and myself would much appreciate your help.—
Yours, etc.,A. E. J. CAVENTISH,
Brig. General,
Hanover Court, Hanover Square,
W.1,
London, Feb. 14, 1927.

OBITUARY.

PETTY OFFICER OF THE
PETERSFIELD.

We regret to report the death of Chief Engine Room Artificer William Head Spargo of H.M.S. Petersfield, which occurred at the Naval Hospital on Saturday from arterio sclerosis.

The funeral took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, last evening, the service being conducted by the Wesleyan Chaplain for the Fleet and attended by the band of H.M.S. Hermes. The cortege left the Royal Naval Hospital at 4 p.m., the coffin being borne to the graveyard on a field gun carriage, there being a firing party also, both drawn from ships of the fleet.

During the funeral ceremony, the ensigns on all ships of the fleet were half-masted between 4 and 5 p.m.

FOR LONDON
HOSPITAL.MISS VIOLET CAPELL'S
DANCE DISPLAYS.

Miss Violet Capell writes: "The Gross Receipts given at the City Hall on the 23rd, 26th and 28th of February amounted to \$2,000, and in the meantime I am forwarding a draft to Viscount Knutsford of the London Hospital, for \$40 and I am also making some donations to deserving local charities."

NEW AMBASSADOR.

The Hague, Mar. 12.

Baron Gevers, the Dutch Minister to Germany, who is shortly retiring from the Diplomatic Service, will be replaced in Berlin by Count Van Limburg Stirum.—*Reuter.*

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Kashgar from Japan via ports, March 12.—Mr. E. Alfradson, Mrs. G. Anvill, Mr. A. Barr, Capt. and Mrs. J. B. Bailey, Mr. C. J. Bull, Miss Castle, Miss Chin Li Chao, Miss Crust, Mr. E. L. Dromgole, Mr. R. H. Edgford, Mr. J. L. Kinnison, Rev. W. D. King, Miss Lindblad, Mrs. T. Lupton, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Mackett, Mr. G. C. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Major, Miss A. Mo, Miss P. Mo, Col. and Mrs. R. M. C. Ruxton, Mr. J. Gardner, Mr. M. Ganly, Mrs. H. Goffe, Miss Geary, Mr. H. Glover, Rev. A. R. Gallimore, Miss Henderson, Mrs. M. L. Hancock, Dr. C. A. Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jenkins, Mr. H. E. Swaine, Miss Starling, Miss A. Starling, Miss E. Starling, Mr. E. Starling, Master H. Starling, Mr. E. W. Sampson, Miss M. Shumato, Mr. and Mrs. N. Truelove, Miss Rose Tebbutt, Mrs. J. Wahlquest.

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Per s.s. Kashgar for Europe via ports, March 12.—Mr. W. M. Au Yeung, Miss A. M. Bakewell, Mrs. A. Bloxham, Mr. S. S. Chen, Mr. C. F. and Mrs. P. W. Chow, Sister N. Corni, Mrs. E. Courtney, Miss A. Courtney, Miss C. E. Dowell, Miss J. E. Dowell, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Duppuy, Mrs. Duppuy, Sister A. Guastavino, Miss Hollis, Miss E. B. D. Holman, Mr. R. Kemp, Mr. S. P. Ko, Mr. B. T. Leung, Mr. H. Leung, Mr. C. H. Montague, Miss Paterson, Miss Rogers, Miss G. Santler, Mr. I. W. Shewan, Mr. W. Smalley, Mr. T. W. Smith, Mr. W. M. So, Mr. J. Tamer, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Wong and Master B. Wong.

Per s.s. Kitano Maru for London via ports, March 12.—Mr. J. Loftus, Mr. E. J. McGuinness, Mr. Y. Nishinaga, Mr. S. Suzuki, Mr. Y. Tamaki, Mr. Lee Kwai Lim, Mr. Tong Wei Chuen, Mr. and Mrs. A. Batchelor, Mr. I. Okamoto, Mr. J. Tajima, Mr. T. Okamoto, Mrs. Y. Okamoto, Mr. T. Fukuhara, Mr. N. Okido, Mrs. Chan Chau, Miss M. Scott, Mr. K. Muro, Miss E. M. Holbrook, Mr. H. D. Stearns, Mr. T. Fujita, Mr. E. Imai, Mrs. T. Masutani, Mrs. S. Yabu, Inspector and Mrs. E. Ring, Mr. Wong Choon Kian, Mr. F. Kozumi, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watson, Miss Watson, Mr. Y. Okada, Mr. I. Nakayama, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Dearden, Mr. and Mrs. Burton, Mrs. Senon, Master Watson, Mrs. Enlund, Master Chu Cho, Mr. D. de Azavedo, Mrs. Drake, Mrs. B. Taguchi, Mr. S. Mitahashi, Mr. A. D. A. Stearns, Mrs. P. M. Stearns, Master P. Stearns, Mr. and Mrs. K. Yamamoto, Mr. and Mrs. M. Shimura, Mr. Y. Yamaguchi, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Bradbury, Miss V. Bradbury, Mr. B. Shibata, Mr. Y. Kamada, Mr. Z. Ishiguro, Mr. T. Yokoyama, Mr. J. R. Broadley, Mr. Romay, Mr. E. Shinesuna, Mr. O. Kojima, Mr. S. Kanchi, Mr. O. Horio, Mrs. S. Soga, Mr. K. Harvin, Mr. T. Takaya, Mr. M. Haruna, Mr. R. C. Martin, Mr. Christensen Alfons, Rev. Nilo Mustalo, Master Arvi, Mr. Van Rampey Jan, Mr. T. Toda, Mr. S. Kamel, Mr. K. Takano, Mr. K. Terai, Mr. R. Boonmark, Mr. N. Yoshitake, Mr. Orval Lucien, Mr. Merani Goston.

VACCINATION.

WORK BY THE AMBULANCE
BRIGADE.

The Y.M.C.A. division of St. John's Ambulance Brigade vaccinated 4,500 Chinese persons the week before last. By special request the work was continued last week and up to Friday another 2,265 persons had been treated.

At present there is a great demand for the services of members of the Brigade and, in consequence, the campaign will be developed on a much larger scale this week. It is intended to open about twenty stations in Hongkong and Kowloon on which all divisions of the Brigade will be engaged. Chinese are asking for vaccination in very large numbers.

DISARMAMENT.

FORMAL INVITATION.

Washington, Mar. 12.

Formal invitations to Great Britain and Japan to attend a Three-Power Naval Conference at Geneva, have been sent to the British and Japanese Ambassadors for transmission to their respective Governments.

The invitation calls for a disarmament conference to meet as soon after June as convenient, the actual date to depend upon the time required by Japan to increase her present delegation to the Preparatory Disarmament Conference and provide the delegation with new instructions.—*Reuter's American Service.*

WORLD FLIGHT.

MAJOR BEIRES BAULKED.

Buenos Aires, Mar. 12.

A telegram from La Nación's correspondent at Bolama states that Major Sarmiento Beires, had to return to the island of Blasagosa, off the Portuguese Guinea Coast.—*Reuter.*

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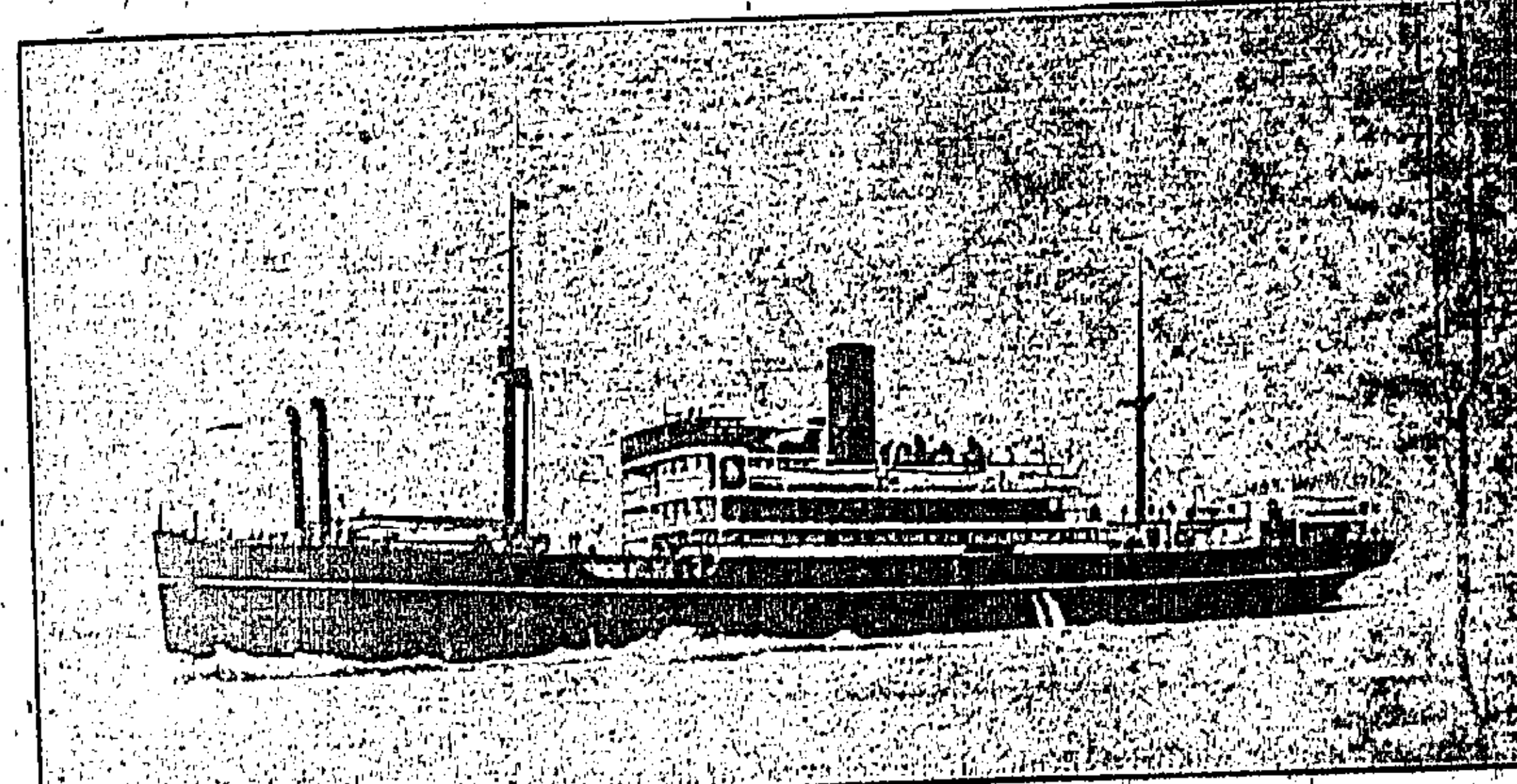
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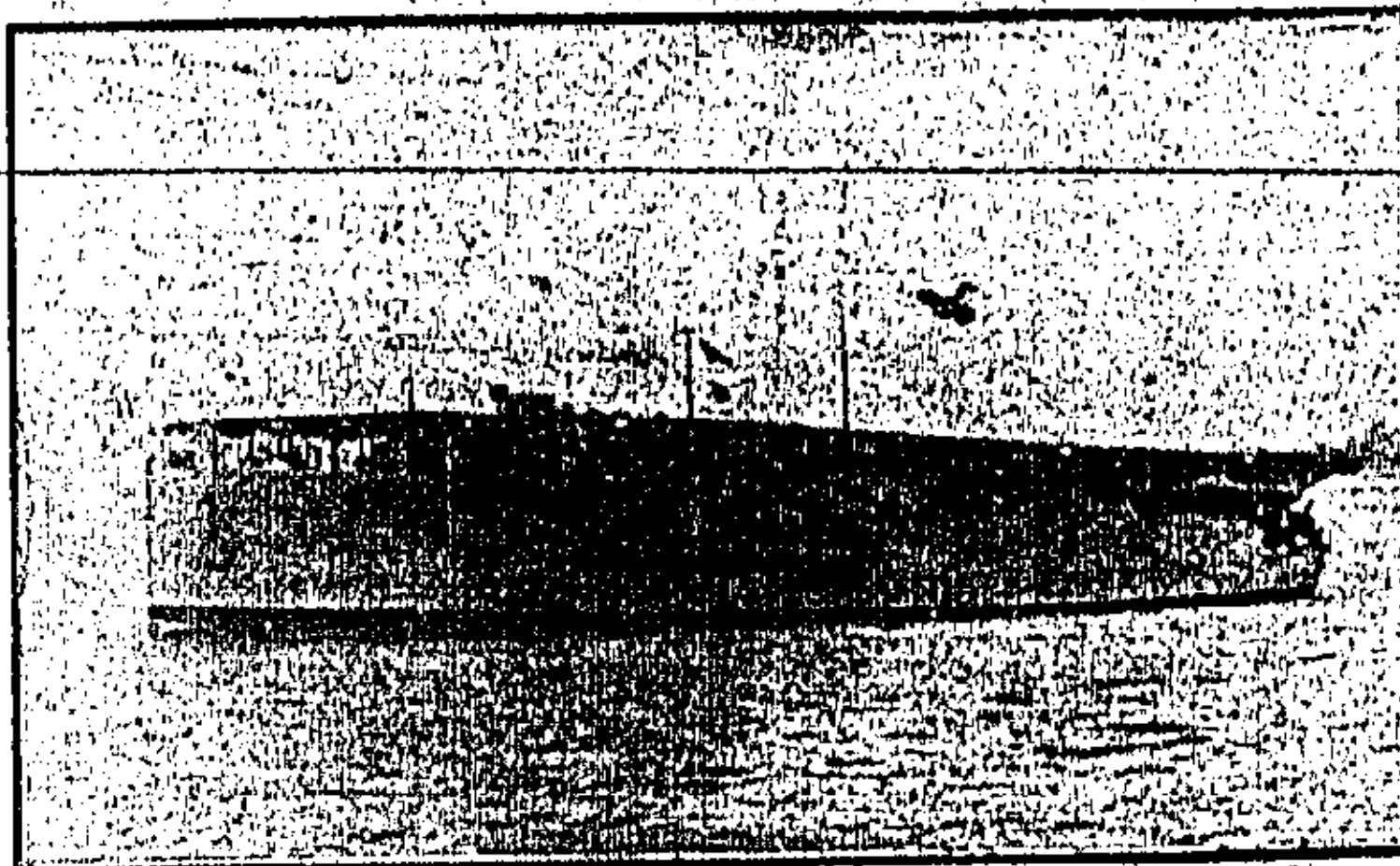
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London.—When is a motorist drunk? Judge Sturges gave his definition thus: "Where the skill and judgment of a man, normally required in the manipulation of a motor-car, is obviously diminished or impaired as a direct result of the consumption of alcohol, I hold that he is drunk, if in charge of a motor-car within the meaning of the Act." "Some people," he added, "can take very little alcohol but if they take alcohol when in charge of a car, knowing it is likely to diminish their skill and judgment, they cannot complain of the results."

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H.M.S. "ARGUS" IN HONGKONG.



Above is the British aircraft-carrier Argus, which arrived in Hongkong on Saturday. The Hermes and the Vindictive are already in Far Eastern waters, and the arrival of the Argus brings the number of British planes now available in the East up to a total of eighty.

KUOMINTANG PARTY
SPLIT.

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reply within 24 hours, full responsibility would rest on Mr. Tiesman.

The trouble appears to have arisen through a misunderstanding, in which the majority of the blame did not rest with the black-jackets. At a meeting with the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, held later, the Labour Union officials would listen to no reason, either from the Commissioner or Mr. Tiesman.

Mr. Tiesman has since replied, saying that he has complained to the Southern Government and His Majesty's Government concerning the demands, which have been categorically refused except hospital expenses, etc., which had already been offered, and that he will not be responsible for any untoward incident.

THE CASE OF MRS. BORODIN.
No Application for British Aid.

Hankow, Mar. 12.
The National News Agency quotes M. Borodin as saying "I have not asked any British authority to interfere on behalf of Mrs. Borodin. The Chinese people are well able to prevent any harm to her and to effect her release."

M. Borodin denies that his wife was carrying military secrets to the Southerners.—*Reuter*.

A Curious Report.
Peking, March 12.

A curious report has reached Peking from a foreign source that one of the three Russian couriers was a woman.

The report states that Madame Borodin, another Russian woman, and two couriers have been removed from Tsinan to Wei Chiao Chwang, not far from Tsinan, owing to fears for their safety in the city due to the numbers of White Russians there.—*Reuter*.

CHINA AND LEAGUE.

M. Briand States Position.

Geneva, Mar. 13.

Talking to foreign press correspondents after the close of the meetings of the Council, M. Briand, referring to China, remarked that the League could only undertake questions which it could juridically take up. China was divided and he asked, by whom, then, could an appeal to the League be made and in what conditions? But, in principle, the thing was not impossible, should events take a turn enabling the League to occupy itself with Chinese matters.—*Reuter*.

KEEPING SHANGHAI
INVIOLENT.

The Recent Episode.

London, Mar. 13.

With regard to the refusal of British troops to allow Shantung troops to enter the International Settlement at Shanghai, it is explained that possibly the episode was the result of misunderstanding, since it has been clearly stated by the Settlement authorities that armed Chinese troops are not to be permitted in the Settlement and that complete neutrality between the contending Chinese forces is and will be maintained.—*British Wireless*.

HELP FOR WU PEI-FU.

To Fight Fengtien Troops.

The Nationalists in Hankow are continuing to send troops and military supplies into Honan to help Marshal Wu Pei-fu's Army there against the Fengtien forces, according to a report received in Canton yesterday.

Three trains are running daily between Hankow and Sinyang. The first batch of troops sent into Honan has just arrived at Mingkiang. General Chia Yun-ao, who is leading the Wu Pei-fu's forces in Honan to fight against the Fengtien invaders, has issued a circular announcing his acceptance of the Kuomintang appointment, adding that he will strictly observe the principles of Dr. Sun. It is understood, however, that all the forces of Wu's Army are against the Fengtienites.

ILLEGAL SOCIETY.

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members in preference to other persons; the ninth laid down a standard rate of wages to be paid by members for daily labour in the absence of a special contract; the tenth prescribed that any breach of the regulations should be considered at a meeting of all members and that if no agreement was reached then legal proceedings might be taken to enforce the regulations; the last rule provided for the revision of the rules if required, by a general meeting of members.

Continuing, His Lordship said he had no hesitation in deciding that the principal purpose of the Guild, to which its other purposes were subordinate, was to afford trade protection to its members. Combinations to better the conditions of labour were not unlawful at Common Law and therefore that object was lawful. It was next necessary to consider whether the means, or any one of the means, by which the Guild proposed to effect that object were illegal.

Illegal Regulation.

The only rule which, in His Lordship's opinion, might be substantially challenged as illegal was No. 6. Any restraint of trade, incidental to other rules of the Guild seemed plainly to be proportional to the advantage of members contemplated therein. Two questions arose in connection with rule No. 6. Firstly, did it prescribe a restraint which extended further than was necessary for the reasonable protection of the members of the Guild, and secondly, if it did so, was the rule an essential part of the principal object, or was it separable from it so as to leave the operation of the remaining rules unaffected?

The first question he would answer in the affirmative. The rule provided that where, in the course of contract work, a dispute arose between the building owner and a contracting member no other member should undertake to complete the contract so long as the dispute remained unsettled. That prohibition made no reference whatever to the merits of the dispute, and it was not contingent on a rejection by the building owner of a legal award on arbitration. By its language it endeavoured to place a building owner at the mercy of an arbitrary contractor, and he was to be hampered in effecting an alternative contract. That rule in its present form was detrimental to the public good. It was inequitable in its consequences. A full legitimate protection for the members could be designed without a disregard of their contractual obligations. That restraint was "unreasonable, oppressive, and destructive of individual liberty."

The second question was, perhaps more difficult. One statement of the law was that an agreement was vitiated "if the illegal parts go to the main object of the combination or the legal and illegal parts are so mixed up as to be inseparable." The rule alone, among the other regulations, seemed to be clearly tainted with illegality, but it was not in His Lordship's opinion one of several illegal rules. An amendment of its terms so as to include an arbitration as precedent to its prohibition would, in his view, render the rule innocuous. Nevertheless, he did not doubt that the officers of the Guild who framed the rules regarded that rule as of cardinal importance to their general plan. For that reason he concluded that the rule was so mixed up with other provisions for the protection of the trade as to be inseparable from them. In this conclusion he had followed leading judgments.

An Appeal?

His Lordship found that the Kwong Yee Tong was an illegal society, because it had as its object an illegal restraint of trade, which was set out in rule 6 of its regulations. Judgment therefore was for the defendant with costs.

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Mr. McCallum offered no objection and His Lordship granted the application.

The annual distribution of prizes of St. Joseph's College takes place on Wednesday at 5.15 p.m. Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., (Vice-Chancellor of the University) will preside.

Leavenworth, Kan.—A Leavenworth family has five generations living. The birth of Robert Eugene Price on January 18 made the fifth generation, all of whom are living in Leavenworth. Roberts great grandmother is 82 years old.